

FORECAST—Fresh to strong southeast shifting to south winds, mild with occasional rain squalls, Wednesday, southwesterly winds, fair at first, probably becoming unsettled at night.

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## Final Bulletins

### RED BATTLESHIP REPORTED SUNK

LONDON (AP)—A Reuters News Agency dispatch from Hel-singfors tonight said it was reported without confirmation that the Russian 23,256-ton battleship Oktabrskaya-Revolutia (October Revolution) had been sunk by Finnish coastal batteries.

The Oktabrskaya - Revolutia formerly was the Gangut in the Czarist navy.

Her normal complement was 1,125 men; her armament 12 12-inch guns, 16 4.7-inch guns, 10 three-inch cannon, one three-pounder, eight machine guns, 18 torpedo tubes, one airplane.

She was laid down in 1909, launched in 1911, completed in January, 1914. Her best recent speed was 18 knots.

### Fast Coast Patrol Boats for Canada

OTTAWA (CP)—Gar Wood, noted Detroit boat builder and speedboat racer, conferred today with Canadian air and naval authorities in connection with the fast "retriever" boats he has designed for coastal patrol duty.

The boats, designed by Wood 20 years ago, are capable of speeds between 35 and 40 knots and measure about 40 feet in overall length. The Dominion government plans to place a large number of such boats on both the Atlantic and Pacific coasts for aircraft salvage work.

### 'Heil Scuttler'

HALIFAX (CP)—"Heil scuttler" is the derisive touch phrase used around this port today by jack tars of the Royal Canadian Navy.

Once they might have greeted each other on the street with the laughing cry of "Heil Hitler" but after the German chancellor ordered the pocket battleship Graf Spee blown up off Montevideo Sunday Canada's sea fighters soon changed their joking use of the Nazi salute.

### Activity on Front

PARIS (CP-Havas)—The French evening war communique announced "marked activity by contact elements in the course of the day" on the Western Front.

### Chamberlain Back

LONDON (AP)—Prime Minister Chamberlain returned to London tonight after a five-day visit to British positions on the Western Front.

## Aerial Torpedo Sinks Trawler

LONDON (CP)—Captain David Sutherland of the 185-ton British fishing trawler Active today reported his ship was sunk by an "aerial torpedo" fired by one of several German warplanes raiding shipping off the British coast. Four other small ships were attacked.

German airmen also were reported to have sunk the 324-ton British trawler Zealous. All of the crew were landed after 13 hours in an open boat.

One of the Active's crew was missing and three of the 373-ton British trawler Etruria's crew were killed.

Yesterday Britain reported the loss of three trawlers to German bombing planes, bringing the total for the past two days to four. The losses included the New Choice, 198 tons; Pearl, 198 tons, and Compagnus, 270 tons.

Many British trawlers have been pressed into service by the Admiralty as mine sweepers.

The Etruria did not sink, but was towed to a Scottish port badly damaged.

Captain Sutherland said "an aerial torpedo landed in the water beside us and hit under the waterline. Seven bombs aimed at us fell into the sea."

The trawler Caribee II rescued the Active's crew.

The crews of the two trawlers said 15 bombs were dropped in half an hour by circling German planes which also sprayed the trawlers' decks with machine-gun fire.

### 1 BRITISH PLANE BAGS 5 GERMANS

LONDON (AP)—British sources said one British bomber shot down five German fighters in yesterday's battle over Helligoland Bight and it was now believed more than 12 German Messerschmidt planes had been destroyed.

### Success Against Meningitis Reported

TORONTO (CP)—Doctors today reported success in their war upon the disease of influenza-meningitis, long considered incurable, at the annual convention of the Canadian Public Health Association.

### AID TO FINLAND

GENEVA (AP)—Secretary-general Joseph Avenol has telegraphed all members of the League of Nations to advise him at once of their intentions in regard to extending aid to Finland, it was announced tonight.

As soon as replies are received, offers of war materials, credits and first aid supplies will be coordinated by League staff technicians.

### B.C. WILL GET SHARE

VANCOUVER (CP)—Canada's war orders are being placed fairly, on a basis of merit and price, and British Columbia will get its share, W. C. Woodward, member of Canada's war supply board, said on arrival here today from Ottawa.

### Plane Seeks Boat

VANCOUVER (CP)—Ginger Coote Airways Limited officials today said one of their planes is standing by at Zeballos, B.C., mining settlement on the west coast of Vancouver Island, awaiting favorable weather to begin a search for a fishpacker, missing for nearly a week.

The fishpacker, the Great Northern V, was last seen last Wednesday near Estevan Point, 40 miles south of Zeballos.

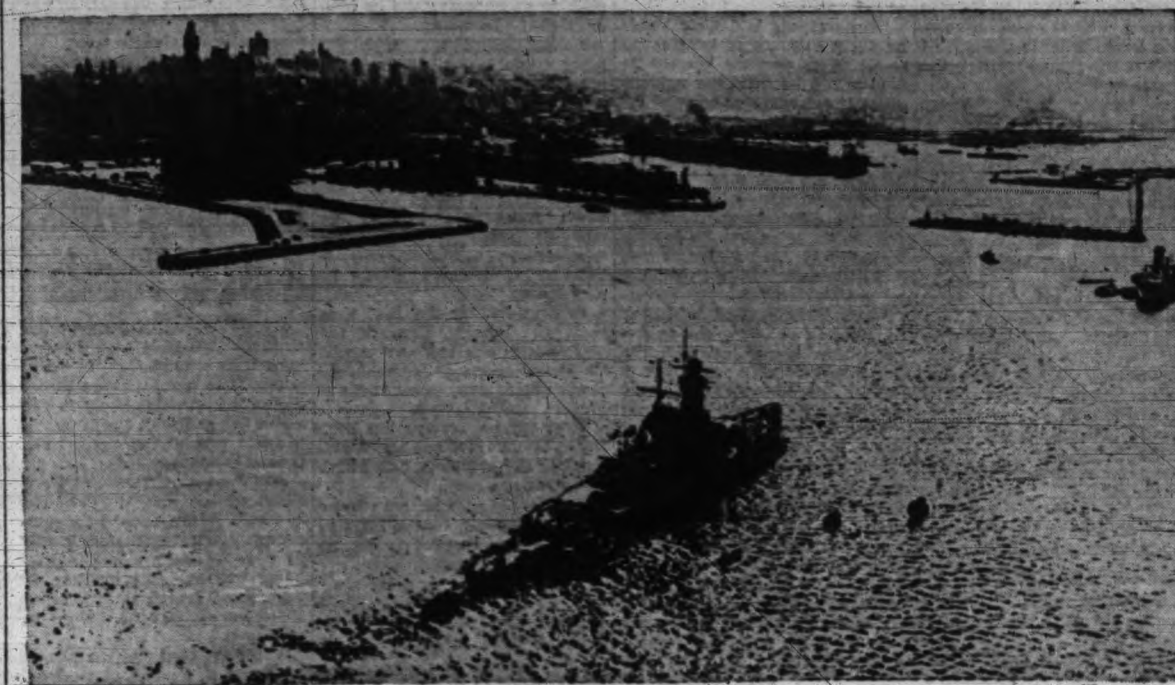
Three other fishpackers are searching for the Great Northern V.

### FIRST BRITISH DEATH

LONDON (CP-Havas)—The first death of a member of the British Expeditionary force while on active service in France was announced today. Lieut. Peter Milward of Stinchcombe, Gloucestershire, died of wounds December 16, it was disclosed.

# Nazi Crew Scuttles Columbus

## Out to an Inglorious End



HEADING FOR SUICIDE—Nazi sea-raider Admiral Graf Spee pictured from the air in the harbor of Montevideo, Uruguay, Sunday afternoon as with her prow pointed seaward, she moved out to where her crew scuttled her rather than renew the battle with the two waiting British cruisers. (Radiophoto).

## Chivalry of the Sea Services



BRITISH SEAMEN HONOR DEAD OF GRAF SPEE — German officers of the Admiral Graf Spee (in civilian clothes) and British merchant skippers who were prisoners aboard the Graf Spee when it was attacked by three British cruisers stand side by side to honor the German dead killed in the battle. Thirty-six members of the Graf Spee crew killed were buried in a common grave at Montevideo, with British contributing flower wreaths to the German dead. (Acme radio-telephoto).

## Welcome to Canadians Rings Through Britain

By GILLIS PURCELL

WITH THE CANADIAN ACTIVE SERVICE FORCE SOMEWHERE IN ENGLAND (CP)—Young Canada marched today into the heart of war-worried England brandishing their rifles and shouting "Whoopee"—product of an enthusiastic press that visioned the first Canadian contingent as striding right out of the stanzas of "Our Lady of the Snows."

To its newspapers throughout the provinces the Press Association described the first Dominion troops as "Broncho Bills who have crossed the wild prairies, lumbermen from the backwoods of Canada, fishermen from the Newfoundland banks and men from the lonely little post of Akavik on the Arctic Ocean."

As any Canadian knows, such a description is purely an imaginative effort, but in this case the correspondent may be forgiven for being carried away by the happy flood of enthusiasm of the cheering troops, who almost leaped the ship's rails so as to get a footing for a real full-chested yell.

One writer said: "It sent a thrill through one's body to watch these hardy 'tough guys' marching on England's soil."

It has been one round of cheering since the Canadians landed at a west coast port crowded with an array of warships and camouflaged, armed ocean-going transports such as these ports had never seen before.

As the boys settle into camp on the second day after their arrival from a week's holiday afloat, the generosity of the Old Country folk is apparent. At debarkation men and women flung cigarettes and tobacco to the boys. Here at camp, the nearby townspeople are interested and extremely considerate. Invitations for Christmas dinner are flowing in by the hundreds to Canada House.

### READY IN THREE MONTHS

Probably within three months the Canadian troops will be ready to move to France, though this depends entirely on their training, their equipment and developments on the western front. Meantime they will be working intensively with the remainder of their commander, Major-Gen. A. G. L. McNaughton, in mind that they "carry an obligation of honor to live up to the proud traditions established by the Canadian Corps."

The presence of a Quebec regiment of French-Canadians has been productive of considerable comment.

## Christmas Carols Through the Ages



### THE FIRST NOWELL

"The first Nowell the angel did say Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay..."

This simple melody is believed to have originated as a shepherd's tune in the Middle Ages. It was first printed in England in 1833, but has a French origin. The word "nowell" comes from the French "noel," meaning "birthday," but through its association with the birthday of the Christ Child has taken on the meaning of a Christmas greeting.

4 Shopping Days Till Christmas

## CITY PASSES TAX ESTIMATE

Taxpayers of Victoria put the merry into Christmas for the city on December 1, figures compiled by D. A. Macdonald, city controller-treasurer, disclosed today.

By the first day of this month property owners had paid in taxes equivalent to the full estimate for 1939. Since that date additional payments have helped to swell a surplus which, by last Saturday, was \$9,263 over the figure set in the budget for the whole year's current collections.

The estimate, attained December 1, amounted to \$1,228,577, a sum representing 83 per cent of the total levy.

The 1939 collections will be the highest on a percentage basis since 1931, the comptroller stated.

The picture was just as bright for tax arrears collections, although actual figures had not been compiled today.

### U.B.C. Names Lecturers

VANCOUVER (CP)—Dr. Douglas E. Smith of the University of Alberta and Dr. N. W. Morton of McGill University will lecture in the department of philosophy and psychology at the University of British Columbia's 1940 summer session, it was announced today by the U.B.C. board of governors.

## British Cruisers Clear Atlantic Also of Oil Tanker

WASHINGTON (AP)—The United States cruiser Tuscaloosa, the White House announced this afternoon, discovered the luxury liner Columbus, 32,565 tons, and the third largest ship in the German merchant marine, sinking more than 400 miles off the coast between Norfolk and New York.

Navy department information furnished the White House, said the Tuscaloosa found a British man-of-war in the vicinity of the sinking ship but there had been no evidence of a fight.

The Tuscaloosa picked up survivors from the big liner and is bringing them into an American port.

The Columbus, third largest in the Nazi merchant marine, slipped out of Vera Cruz last Thursday with clearance papers which showed her destination as Oslo, Norway.

She was heavily laden with oil and had food supplies for a 50-day voyage. Built in 1922 at Danzig, the 32,581-ton liner was one of the most luxurious ships afloat. Recently renovated for the West Indies cruise trade, she was known to thousands of travelers.

She was owned by the North German Lloyd Line and had tied up at Vera Cruz after the war began to avoid capture.

WASHINGTON (AP)—The

United States coastguard announced that the German tanker Arauca put into United States waters, near Port Everglades, Fla., this afternoon, apparently to escape a British cruiser.

An unofficial report received here said the tanker had been cruising just outside the three-mile limit and the cruiser fired a warning shot across the bow. The tanker was said to have fled into American waters.

A German freighter, the Arauca, left Vera Cruz last Thursday a few hours before the German liner Columbus sailed. The Arauca, 4,353 gross tons, is owned by the Hamburg-American Line and cleared for New Orleans.

Mexican authorities said she was loaded with 4,000 tons of fibre and large quantities of nitrates, sulphur, crude oil, coffee and sugar.

Treasury officials said they would inspect the Arauca before deciding whether the ship would be free to leave.

The Arauca is not subject to internment as would be the case of a belligerent warship. However, officials pointed out that an old neutrality law forbade customs officials from granting clearance to any ship, including merchantmen, "believed to be about to carry fuel, arms, etc." to any belligerent warship.

## Canadians' Arrival Great Surprise To British Port

WITH THE CANADIAN ACTIVE SERVICE FORCE SOMEWHERE IN ENGLAND (CP)—A flood of publicity has been given Bernard Gregson of St. Stephen, N.B., as the first Canadian to step ashore. When the Canadian contingent arrived in their convoyed transports at a west coast port. In the meantime the spotlight passes over G. Pearson, artillery driver of London, Ont., first to step aboard the transport vessel as the troops embarked at the Canadian port.

The mystery surrounding the convoy which sailed into port Sunday escorted by warplanes brought hundreds of curious to the docks. Such was the secrecy surrounding the passage of the huge fleet of vessels across the Atlantic that its identity was not known until persons standing on the quayside saw the Canadian emblems on the soldiers' boards.

It was long after the sun-tanned troops from the senior Dominion had disembarked and started for their barracks somewhere in England that the news of the convoy's arrival was spread across the nation.

WELCOME SHOUTED  
Cries of "Hello Canada," "Welcome boys," and "God Bless You," rose from the astonished crowd as the Canadians filed down the gangplanks to the dock. The Canadians cheered and sang as they came ashore.

Dominions Secretary Eden, who visited one of the transports, quoted a group of men as saying they had a "dandy time" during their voyage.

"I take it they thoroughly enjoyed themselves," he remarked. "They certainly looked extremely fit and well."

And they did. The young Canadians revelled in the thrills and luxury of their journey. Most of them were seeing the Atlantic for the first time and they wondered at the size of great, camouflaged transports and the massive naval escort.

## Exeter Fought Till Only 1 Gun Left in Action

LONDON (CP)—An eyewitness account of last Wednesday's battle between the British cruiser Exeter and the German pocket battleship Admiral Graf Spee made public by the Admiralty today disclosed that the Exeter thought that she was fighting the Admiral Scheer, a sistership of the Graf Spee.

The account, forwarded by "one of His Majesty's colonial governors," said the Graf Spee opened fire at a range of about 12½ miles.

"The first salvo from the Germans' 11-inch guns fell short, the second fell directly astern, the third and fourth missed, but the fifth scored a hit and the seventh a direct hit."

"The impact of a shell on the forward turret killed outright eight of the crew of 15 marines and made havoc of the bridge immediately above. The captain, however, was unscathed."

"The Exeter closed, receiving three or four more hits from 11-inch shells and was coming under fire from the Graf Spee's 5.9-inch guns."

"She returned shot for shot until only one eight-inch gun could be fired, and that by way of hand."

IMPROVED STEERING  
"Numerous shells which fell alongside riddled the ship's side, and the upper works on the steering gear were damaged just after 7 o'clock (in the morning), and for the following 45 minutes the captain steered the ship by compass from the after control, just forward of the mainmast, through a chain of some 10 salors."

"The directions were conveyed from man to man to the after steering wheel, and the engine room until the ship was no longer serviceable as a fighting unit and fell out of action."

By this time the smaller British cruisers, Achilles and Ajax, with only six-inch guns, had entered the running battle and by nightfall had chased the Admiral Graf Spee into the harbor at Montevideo, where she was blown up by her command Sunday night. The Exeter had lost 61 killed and 23 wounded. Casualties on the other two vessels brought the British list to 72 dead and 31 wounded. The Germans suffered 36 dead and 67 wounded.





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## 100 Americans In 1st Contingent

SOMEWHERE IN GREAT  
BRITAIN (AP) — Of the first  
Canadian contingent which re-  
ceived such an enthusiastic re-  
ception when it landed at a Scottish  
port at the week-end, 100 are  
United States boys who came  
across the line to enlist.

"Yes, we have 100 or so Ameri-  
cans," said Major-Gen. G. L. Mc-  
Naughton, commander of the  
first overseas division. "They're  
good soldiers—and really alive."

It was easy for the Scots to  
pick out some of the Americans.  
One from Chicago said he had  
enlisted "just for the hell of it."

Another from Fitchburg,  
Mass., just smiled and shrugged  
his shoulders to the question of  
why he enlisted.

Two others were from Belfast  
and Vancouver, Maine. One was  
from Spokane, Wash.

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## French Raiders Seize Nazis Far Behind Reich Line

PARIS (AP)—Military dis-  
patches today disclosed that a  
French patrol had made a daring  
daylight raid several miles within  
German lines on the western  
front, defeating a Nazi detach-  
ment and carrying off its four  
officers.

The French account said that  
about noon the patrol left its ad-  
vanced post in the heart of the  
Vosges Forest, at the south-  
eastern end of the western front,  
and slipped quietly past German  
positions, one after another, un-  
til they met the German detach-  
ment. The Germans opened fire.  
A sharp running engagement  
developed as the soldiers took  
cover behind trees and the  
boulders which dot the forest.

French reports said the raiding  
party made its way safely back  
through the German positions,  
bringing the German prisoners.  
The Allied high command's  
communiqué said of war opera-  
tions, "Nothing important to re-  
port."

Last night's communiqué re-  
ported a sharp engagement in  
the Vosges Mountains "between  
one of our reconnoitering parties  
and German units."

It said some prisoners, includ-  
ing two officers, were taken.

Western France was sent to  
underground shelters early today  
by an air raid alarm. The alarm,  
which lasted an hour and 13  
minutes, ended without incident.

## Biggest Aerial Battle of War

ESBJERG, Denmark (AP)—  
Strong detonations were heard  
at the Danish border near the  
German air base on the island of  
Sylt at 6 a.m., today. There was  
speculation whether British  
bombers were making a new raid.  
(Sylt was bombed by Britain  
last week, London sources re-  
ported, and a giant air battle be-  
tween British and German planes  
was fought yesterday at nearby  
Heligoland.)

**HELIGOLAND FIGHT**  
LONDON (CP)—The full scope  
of aerial combat—as against the  
comparative quiet on the western  
front—was brought home with  
the disclosure that the greatest  
air battle of the war was fought  
yesterday off the German coast.  
The Air Ministry announced 12  
of about 24 German fighting  
planes were shot down and seven  
British bombers "unaccounted  
for" after the hot battle over  
Heligoland Bight, German North  
Sea naval base.

The British airmen had gone  
there looking for German war-  
ships at sea, but found only a  
strong air force in action.

Four British fliers who landed  
at sea, were rescued from a  
collapsible boat. Their plane,  
which took part in the Heligoland  
battle yesterday, had exhausted  
its fuel.

British pursuit planes were re-  
ported to have driven off a Ger-  
man warplane today over the  
Shetland Islands, off northern  
Scotland.

**GERMANS REPEAT CLAIM**  
BERLIN (AP)—The battle be-  
tween British and German war-  
planes over Heligoland Bight  
yesterday was the biggest air  
fight in history, the German news  
agency said today.

The high command today raised  
its figure for the total of British  
attacking planes from 44 to 52  
and repeated its claim that 34  
British craft were shot down  
while the Germans lost only two.

## HALF GERMAN PLANE RAIDERS SHOT DOWN

LONDON (AP)—British  
authorities stated today that 21  
German planes were destroyed in  
51 engagements over British land  
or coastal waters in October and  
November.

The statement added:  
"Not one British fighter has  
been shot down in the United  
Kingdom since the outbreak of war."

In all 51 engagements, it said,  
only one British pilot was  
wounded. German casualties in  
these engagements represented  
nearly half of the attacking  
forces.

## London Papers Assail Censors For Mix-up in News of Canadians

LONDON (CP)—"The Cana-  
dians are here," screamed a  
headline in the London Mirror to-  
day. Alongside its story the  
paper ran criticism of the mix-up  
over the release of news of the  
contingent's arrival.

Originally scheduled for release  
at 2 a.m. Tuesday and finally  
promised for 3 a.m. Wednesday,  
the news of the troops' coming  
was given out suddenly last night  
after Winston Churchill, First  
Lord of the Admiralty, had made  
the announcement in an Empire  
broadcast. The resultant con-  
fusion led to delay in passage of  
stories of the arrival through the  
censors.

The London Daily Express  
criticized the "lack of co-ordina-  
tion among the news departments  
of the fighting services" which  
led to the mix-up. "Perhaps this  
muddle must just be looked upon  
as an example of confusion and  
we can never hope for order  
again under their war govern-  
ment," it said.

The Express printed a front  
page picture of Canadians march-  
ing to their barracks and dug up  
a picture of the 1914 Canadian  
Expeditionary Force parading  
through London streets. "Why  
not again?" asked a caption un-  
der the picture of the march  
through the capital.

The paper suggested editorially  
as well that London be given an  
opportunity to cheer the march-  
ing Canadians. The Express  
story filled two columns.

### VITRIOLIC ATTACK

The Evening Standard devoted  
an entire editorial column to a  
scathing attack on whoever was  
responsible for last night's muddle  
in the release of the news. It  
demanded to know whether Win-  
ston Churchill or departmental  
officials had held back the story.

Under the heading "Stop this  
folly," the Standard said: "You  
can read today perhaps the most  
thrilling news of the war. The  
world has been told that Britain  
is engaged in this conflict not as  
a small, insignificant island in  
the North Sea, but as a mighty  
Commonwealth of peoples whose  
tongues are spoken, whose laws  
are respected, whose freedoms  
are established in every corner  
of the globe.... With the arrival  
of the first contingent of the Cana-  
dian forces on these shores that  
fact is proclaimed for all men to  
understand."

"For days that argosy had  
steered its course across the At-  
lantic Ocean. Stealth, secrecy  
and all the prowess of the British  
navy were required to bring this  
prize in safe escort to England  
...until the warriors themselves  
in one triumphant battle shout  
spelt out the word 'Canada.' From  
that moment they were assured a

fitting welcome. Men and women,  
old and young, raced down to the  
dock to cheer the heroes in.  
Marching, laughing, singing, they  
came ashore. The great fact was  
known. The Empire was at Eng-  
land's side."

**APPEALS TO "LAPDOG"**  
Recounting the newspaper's  
efforts to obtain release of the  
news, the Standard said it pleaded  
unsuccessfully with the Admi-  
rality and the War Office, and  
with "their lapdog," the Ministry  
of Information.

"But officials laid their hands  
on their cold, stony hearts and  
swore to us that the gravest in-  
jury would be done the nation's  
cause if one whisper escaped be-  
fore the ghostly hour of 2 o'clock  
Wednesday."

Mr. Churchill made the an-  
nouncement and then "perhaps  
the greatest story of the war is  
told in haggard mugger fashion a  
few hours later by the British  
Broadcasting Corporation as if it  
had little more interest than the  
fat stock prices."

"Does Mr. Churchill hold back  
the news in order to provide ma-  
terial for his speeches?" the  
paper asked. "We trust that is  
not so. Mr. Churchill is a great  
minister, but he surely would not  
rob the British of the right to be  
told in the proper manner."

"Or is it that the men in  
charge of these affairs at the  
defence service departments are  
still unaware that the whole  
nation is fighting this war? Mr.  
Churchill last night exposed the  
nonsense which had been talked  
by his department all day. An  
end must be made to running this  
war as if it were the private  
affair of a few bonehead offi-  
cials."

**MASSSES OF WARRIORS**  
"The Canadians are here in  
thousands," was the way the  
London News-Chronicle told the  
story of the troops' arrival.

The Daily Sketch proclaimed  
that "Canada's sons are here to  
fight their fathers' battles over  
again."

**PROVINCIAL PRESS**  
The major provincial news-  
paper contained scant news of  
and no comment on the Cana-  
dians' arrival. This presumably  
was because of the confusion last  
night and the fact Mr. Churchill  
made his brief announcement  
without warning.

The Yorkshire Post printed on  
its front page a one-paragraph  
story and called it a "cheering  
statement."

The influential Manchester  
Guardian had three lines in its  
"stop press" column. The Liver-  
pool Post left the revelation  
buried in Mr. Churchill's speech  
with the mere subhead: "Can-  
dian Army Division Arrives."

The Arctic front has been at-  
tributed in some dispatches to the  
use of seasoned troops and more  
modern arms than have been em-  
ployed in earlier assaults. Ob-  
servers hoped to get some idea  
now of the power of the Russian  
military show-piece.

With the use of new equipment  
from the Allies in the hands of  
the dogged Finnish fighters, an  
answer to the riddle of Russia's  
strength may come out of the  
Baltic fighting shortly.

An incongruous note "was  
sounded today by the Moscow  
Communist paper Pravda which,  
relegating the invasion of Fin-  
land to inside pages, praised  
Josef Stalin as one whose name  
"is the banner of hundreds of  
millions of men in the struggle  
for a better life." The panegyrics  
were printed in connection with  
the dictator's 60th birthday  
Thursday.

**MOTORS SPEED ADVANCE**  
COPENHAGEN (AP)—A  
motorized Soviet Russian army  
rolled south along Finland's  
Arctic highway, it was reported  
today.

Advices reaching Copenhagen  
were that the Finns lost a battle  
yesterday near Pitkajärvi, about  
53 miles southwest of the Arctic  
port of Petsamo, on the Pasvik  
River separating northernmost  
Finland from a narrow neck of  
Norwegian territory.

The Kirkenes correspondent of  
the newspaper Politikkens said  
the Russian vanguard was nearing  
Grensfors—southernmost border  
station in South Varanger—and  
was likely to pass that point be-  
fore night.

This would place Russian troops  
for more than 100 miles along  
Norway's northernmost frontier.  
A more serious threat to the  
Finns was seen in an unconfirmed  
report in Stockholm that the red  
army had broken through in the  
Kuolajärvi front in central Fin-  
land and reached Kemilähti,  
which is linked by rail to Tornio  
on the Gulf of Bothnia.

Should the Russian army reach  
Rovaniemi, 50 miles to the east,  
where highways and connecting  
railways run to the Swedish  
border, Helsinki's land com-  
munications with Sweden would  
be cut off.

Possibly the fear the Soviet  
public might become disillusioned  
over the slow progress of  
their army has prompted the ac-  
celeration of attack.

The new Russian advance on

## Finn Planes Fight as Russians Strongly Attack

HELSINGFORS (AP)—Soviet  
forces launched a heavy new at-  
tack on the Karelian Isthmus to-  
day as Russian bombers flew over  
Helsinki and dropped explo-  
sives.

The Finnish air force was re-  
ported officially to have carried  
the war into enemy territory,  
striking at Russian units on both  
sides of the boundary.

Finnish warplanes, said the  
army communiqué, made "suc-  
cessful attacks with bombs and  
machine guns on both sides of  
the boundary on enemy forces  
on the march supply columns  
and enemy forces in camp and at  
rest."

Four Russian planes were shot  
down "and possibly this number  
will be revised upward," the  
communiqué continued, describ-  
ing Finnish defence against Rus-  
sian raids.

Helsinki, for the first time  
since the opening days of the  
war, again was raided. About  
20 planes dropped 32 bombs in  
the capital area, some of 600  
pounds, others of 400.

Thus far no damage has been  
reported in Helsinki itself, but  
most of the bombs having fallen  
in suburban areas.

Planes also were seen over  
Hangoe (Hanko), coastal fortress  
town in the southwest, but no  
damage was reported there.

## Fuel Oil Bait For Graf Spee

By HAROLD K. MILKS  
MONTEVIDEO (AP)—The  
Uruguayan government today  
took a step toward internment  
of the German supply ship Tacoma,  
which carried oil supplies in-  
tended for the ill-fated battleship  
Admiral Graf Spee before a  
battle with three British light  
cruisers sent her to her doom.

Government vessels escorted  
the Tacoma from an outer har-  
bor anchorage into the inner  
basin, where she must pass be-  
tween two narrow breakwaters  
and under the guns of a Uru-  
guayan warship to reach the sea.

Officials said detention of the  
vessel was not final internment  
for duration of the war, but was  
"a step in that direction."

The Tacoma's captain is under  
technical arrest for violating a  
rule against movement of mer-  
chant ships when the Graf Spee  
sailed out to be scuttled.

A great plume of black smoke  
continued to rise from the burn-  
ing hulk of the Nazi battleship.  
A naval inspector said she prob-  
ably would continue to burn for  
48 hours more.

**BRITISH SET TRAP**  
Naval sources intimated the  
Graf Spee's encounter with the  
British cruisers was no accident,  
but really a trap that had British  
sold fuel oil as the bait.

These sources said a German  
freighter attempted to buy oil  
from a British concern at an  
undisclosed Brazilian port 10 days  
before the engagement of last  
Wednesday. At first it was re-  
fused, but later was supplied on  
instructions from headquarters.

Capt. Hans Langsdorff, com-  
mander of the German pocket  
battleship, said he was cruising  
off the coast of Brazil in search  
of a rendezvous with the supply  
ship Tacoma when he sighted the  
British cruiser Exeter.

Turning southward, he found  
himself in the presence of two  
more British cruisers, the Ajax  
and the Achilles. Lack of fuel  
forced him to fight at a disad-  
vantage, the German commander  
told port authorities, and he  
eventually ran for cover in Monte-  
video, only to take his shell-  
battered ship out of port Sunday  
night and sink it with his own  
hands.

Some sources said the Admiral  
Graf Spee may actually have  
made a refueling contact before  
the battle, for in Buenos Aires  
last night Capt. Langsdorff  
jovially commented she had pos-  
sessed enough fuel to reach the  
coast of Spain if need be. He de-  
clined to specify the amount,  
however, and observers who saw  
the ship enter Montevideo said its  
position in the water confirmed his  
first story of scanty fuel.

That the British counted on  
locating the raider in the south  
Atlantic was indicated by the  
concentration of warships there.

**CONDEMNED**  
The Uruguayan foreign minis-

try said there was no "possible"  
justification for the Germans  
blowing up their ship, rather than  
go out to face the waiting British  
warships again.

Foreign Minister Alberto Guani  
replied in a formal communiqué  
to German charges Uruguay was  
responsible for the Admiral Graf  
Spee's destruction by forcing it to  
leave port or be interned.

He said Uruguay had acted at  
every step in conformity with the  
Hague Convention (concerning  
belligerent warships.)

He said Capt. Langsdorff had  
requested a 15-day stay to make  
repairs, but the Uruguayan com-  
mission which surveyed the ship's  
damages recommended the 72-  
hour limit which was set.

It was said the government  
might issue a "white paper" de-  
tailing its actions and answering  
the German charges.

5 Nova Scotians  
Accused of Writing  
News of Vessels

HALIFAX (CP)—Four women  
and one man have been charged  
here with attempting to com-  
municate to persons in the United  
States "information likely to pre-  
judice the safety of the state and  
efficient prosecution of the war,"  
it was announced today.

Assistant Commissioner F. J.  
Mead of the Royal Canadian  
Mounted Police termed the four  
prosecutions "exemplary cases"  
as a warning against indiscreet  
letter writing. The charges, he  
said, were lodged under section  
16 of the defence of Canada re-  
gulations.

Those charged and the alleged  
offences:

Mrs. C. Smith, Halifax, at-  
tempting to communicate to Mrs.  
Herman Suain, Brookline, Mass.,  
information regarding the dispo-  
sition of vessels in Halifax har-  
bor.

Marian Buckley, Halifax, at-  
tempting to communicate to Mrs.  
H. A. Frame, Tulsa, Okla., in-  
formation regarding vessels, forces  
and aircraft here.

Constance Bell, Halifax, at-  
tempting to communicate to Kay  
Webb, Sioux City, Iowa, infor-  
mation of warships.

Charles Dodge Jr., Halifax, at-  
tempting to communicate to Janet  
Wallinsheal, Yonkers, N.Y., in-  
formation regarding vessels here.

The fifth charge is against  
Mrs. R. Timilty of Dartmouth,  
across the harbor from here. De-  
tails were not available, but po-  
lice said the alleged circum-  
stances were similar to those in  
other cases.

**WRITTEN DECEMBER 4**  
All the information which the  
five accused allegedly tried to  
convey outside the country was  
contained in letters. The infor-  
mation state the offences took  
place December 4.

None of those charged was ar-  
rested. Summonses were issued,  
and they were called on to appear  
in magistrate's court tomorrow.  
The four Halifaxians will appear  
here and Mrs. Timilty will go to  
court in Dartmouth.

Commissioner Mead said the  
R.C.M.P. shortly would post "in-  
quiries of vital importance in Nova  
Scotia" placards prepared by the  
Department of National Defence,  
warning the people against dis-  
seminating any matter which might  
be of interest to the enemy.

Today's informations were laid,  
he said, after conferences be-  
tween R.C.M.P. and defence de-  
partment officials.

**Basketball Show  
To Aid Solarium**  
Following in the footsteps of  
many other Victoria organiza-  
tions the Dominions basketball  
club today announced plans for a  
benefit card at the Willows Sports  
Centre on January 3 in aid of the  
Solarium.

Manager Dave Nicol of the  
Dominions stated it was the in-  
tention of the Victoria club to in-  
vite basketball teams from Port Al-  
berni, Nanaimo and Chemainus  
to take part on the program with  
all proceeds to be donated to the  
institution for crippled children.

Present plans call for the Domi-  
nions to play the Port Alberni  
club, managed by Toots Meretsky  
and present holders of the British  
Columbia senior B crown. Na-  
naimo will go up against a local  
intermediate A boys' club and  
Chemainus against a local inter-  
mediate B boys' outfit. The up-  
island teams will have to get per-  
mission to play here, as at the  
present time the Dominions are  
not members of organized basket-  
ball. If permission is refused the  
Dominions plan to import a club  
to play them on the charity card.

In order that a good sum will  
be raised for the Solarium it is  
planned to have players, officials  
and members of the press pay ad-  
mission.

## Young Boxer Held for Killing Nazi in New York

TORONTO (CP)—Ernest  
Kehler, alias Haas, 24-year-old  
amateur boxer of Winnipeg,  
arrested here last night, was held  
today for New York police, who  
arrived in Toronto carrying a  
warrant charging him with the  
murder December 5 in Brooklyn  
of Walter Engelbert, secretary of  
the German consulate general in  
New York.

It was stated Kehler admitted  
beating the 42-year-old secretary  
to death in his Brooklyn home.

Police here said the case had no  
international or political impli-  
cations. Kehler had been an occa-  
sional visitor at the Engelbert  
home.

Dr. Engelbert's body, beaten  
terribly, the face bashed in, was  
found in his home December 6.  
So savage was the beating that  
police believed the motive must  
have been personal vengeance.

Capt. Frank Bals, Brooklyn de-  
tective, and Detective M. Gough-  
ren of New York City police,  
were here to take Kehler back to  
New York for trial.

Capt. Bals quoted Kehler as  
saying the motive for the crime  
was "resentment and anger over  
improper advances." He had met  
Engelbert while in New York to  
attend the World's Fair.

**FRIENDS FOR WEEKS**  
Kehler said Engelbert bought  
him food after they had struck up  
a friendship at amateur boxing  
bouts in Janaco, L.L., late in Sep-  
tember. The friendship continued  
for several weeks.

Capt. Bals quoted the Winnipeg  
boxer as confessing that he  
struck Engelbert six or seven  
times with some blunt in-  
strument. He then went for a walk,  
later taking a subway to Times  
Square and boarding a bus for  
Scranton, Pa.

By begging on the streets there,  
Kehler scraped up enough money  
for bus fare to Buffalo, and he  
repeated the procedure there  
and in Niagara Falls, finally ar-  
riving in Toronto last night.

New York police had infor-  
mation he was expected here and  
that he was traveling by bus. He  
was arrested by Lieut. Maurice  
Gaughan of the New York police  
and Detective John Nimmo of  
the Toronto police at the bus sta-  
tion.

Capt. Bals told newspapermen  
at noon today that Kehler had not  
yet signed a confession, but had  
admitted his guilt and was ex-  
pected to sign as soon as the con-  
fession could be prepared.

**DISCLOSED BY WOMAN**  
NEW YORK (AP)—John J.  
Ryan, assistant chief police in-  
spector, announcing today that  
Ernie Haas had been taken into  
custody in Toronto, said a woman  
had unwittingly led to the arrest.

The woman went to a Brooklyn  
department store to buy an elec-  
tric train and other toys. While  
she was being waited on she  
talked with a sales girl about the  
Engelbert case, and mentioned  
Haas's name and the fact that  
she was going to Toronto.

The sales girl notified the store  
management. Police were called  
and the woman trailed.

After the discovery of the  
murder neighbors of Dr. Engel-  
bert, a veteran in the German  
consular service, told police he  
had been in the habit of enter-  
taining men at the house.

The German government  
shortly afterward announced its  
belief the case had no inter-  
national angles and evinced no  
further interest.

Police quickly concluded that  
the motive was not robbery, and  
directed their inquiries into Dr.  
Engelbert's private life. They  
questioned a number of men who  
had visited the secretary, and  
then started a search for Haas.

Ryan said today that Haas,  
in describing the crime, insisted he  
had killed Engelbert because the  
secretary's behavior became of-  
fensive.

**BOXED IN WINNIPEG**  
WINNIPEG (CP)—Ernest  
Kehler, 24-year-old amateur boxer  
of Winnipeg, arrested in connec-  
tion with the murder of Walter  
Engelbert of the New York Ger-  
man consulate, fought as a light  
heavyweight boxer in Winnipeg  
amateur ranks before 1936.

Kehler, alias Haas, arrested in  
Toronto, fought on cards pro-  
moted by the Winnipeg Police  
Athletic Club. In 1936 he beat  
his way east on freight trains  
with other fighters in an effort  
to take part in the Dominion  
boxing championships in Mon-  
treal, although he had not been  
selected to the Manitoba team.

Police here said he is believed  
to have worked in northern  
Ontario mines since he left Win-  
nipeg in 1936. They said Kehler  
has no relatives in Winnipeg now.

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**POLICE SEEK SLAYER IN SASKATCHEWAN**

KAMSACK, Sask. (CP)—Wm. Savinkoff, 22, farm youth of the Stoney Creek district, 12 miles south of Kamsack, is dead, and Mary Demiss, 17, farm girl of the same district, is in critical condition from bullet wounds from a .22 calibre rifle.

Mounted Police under Corpl. J. T. Parsons, with a trained man-hunting dog from Yorkton, are searching the district for Wasyly W. Resansoff. Police said he was named by Mary Demiss from her bed in the hospital as the man who did the shooting shortly after midnight as she and Savinkoff were walking home from a meeting at the Stoney Creek school.

Two operations were performed by Dr. I. Steiman on Miss Demiss in an effort to save her life, but little hope was held out for recovery.

The girl, after being shot in the arm and upper abdomen, managed to walk half a mile to the home of her cousins, Cecil and Mike Demiss, who drove her to the hospital.

**Legion Names Director Of Overseas Branch**

OTTAWA (CP)—Robert England, Winnipeg educationist, has accepted the post of director of the Canadian Legion War Services' overseas education branch, it was announced during the week-end by Lieut.-Col. Ralph H. Webb, vice-president of the organization.

Mr. England, who served during the first Great War as an officer in the Royal Canadian Regiment, will take up his overseas duties at an early date. He will direct facilities to be provided in the United Kingdom and France, and actual theatres of war by the Canadian Legion War Services.

He formerly was director of extension at the University of British Columbia.

**Cigarettes for Fighters**

HELSINGFORS (CP-Havas)—A Christmas gift of 1,000,000 cigarettes has been made to the Finnish army by Hans Rettig, head of the largest tobacco factory in Finland.

By baking a crustless bread with superior keeping qualities, chemists have found an approach to understanding why stale flavor develops as it does in crust bread.

**Scots Cheer Canada's Army**

By DREW MIDDLETON  
SOMEWHERE IN BRITAIN (AP)—Two thousand Scots formed an unofficial welcome committee cheering and singing, the vanguard of Canada's contribution to the Empire's armies strode down gangplanks Sunday and Monday in a fog-shrouded Scottish port.

Anthony Eden, Dominions Secretary; Hon. T. A. Crerar, Canadian Minister of Resources; Hon. Vincent Massey, Dominions High Commissioner, and Major-General T. S. Riddell-Webster, Deputy Quartermaster-General of the British Expeditionary Forces, officially greeted the Canadians on the dock.

**UNITY COMPLETE**

It may be the struggle on which we are engaged may be long—it certainly will be tough, we all know that—but in the assurance of the unity of all peoples of the British Commonwealth is the certainty of final victory," Mr. Eden told a battalion of infantry from the maritime provinces and a hospital corps which had traveled 6,000 miles from British Columbia.

The stalwart tanned men from overseas were like a breath of fresh air. They cheered the slim, grey ships which had conveyed them. The sailors cheered back. The Canadians cheered the people on the dock and how the Scots cheered back!

**FIRST ASHORE**

"It's Canadians coming," one woman shouted hysterically. The first man ashore was Sgt. Bernard Gregson of St. Stephen, N.B., who left a wife and two children to "take a whack at that fella."

Among the surprises for the Scots were two Indian sharpshooters. They gazed at the kilts and Scots gazed at them, both open-mouthed.

A youthful private—there's many a kid who looks 16 in the ranks, even if he is older—said: "The old man landed in Britain with the Princess Pats in October, 1914. He said it was a small country, and, by gosh it is. Funny I'm here to do the same job he did. Hope I come out as well."

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**Canadians Abroad****C.A.S.F. Voyages in Luxury**

By JOHN LEBLANC  
HALIFAX (CP)—Canada's soldiers travel in style when they go to war.

Palatial liners recruited from the luxury trade carried the men of the First Division overseas, and in just about the same style to which peacetime ocean travelers were accustomed.

They left here December 10 and their safe arrival in the United Kingdom was announced late yesterday.

Before leaving this port khaki-clad troops roamed the corridors or strolled about the decks where those who could afford ocean crossings used to parade. Sumptuous ships' furnishings—luxurious chairs and other fittings, and fine oil paintings—formed a strange background for men used to life in barracks.

**2,000 ON EACH SHIP**

Where first class passengers used to take their ease, soldiers sat about tables drinking beer or soft drinks, singing and swapping yarns. Big saloons

had been transformed into cantens capable of accommodating hundreds and, with close to 2,000 men aboard each ship, business was brisk.

Some of the finest ships of the Empire's merchant fleets carried the Canadians.

They didn't look much like the bright pleasure craft of the old days. Coats of grey or black paint obliterated color and gleaming metalwork. Portholes were painted over. The promenade decks were enclosed.

The job of getting the men aboard the ships was accomplished with efficiency and speed. Some of the units spent no more than 15 minutes on Halifax soil after leaving their train.

At the foot of the gangplank, tickets were produced for each group, and then as they filed past an officer, each man received a ticket indicating the location of his berth. Smoothness of the movement indicated the functioning of a well-oiled organization in the background.

**Censors Blunder on Landing Of Canadian Troops**

By GILLIS PURCELL

LONDON (CP)—Canadian correspondents were caught flat-footed yesterday when the report of the arrival of Canadian troops in the United Kingdom was released suddenly by the censor at 10.15 p.m. (2.15 p.m., P.S.T.), five minutes after Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, had announced it and a bulletin was carried by the British Press Association.

Originally scheduled for release at 2 a.m. Tuesday, the hour was shifted to 2 a.m. Wednesday and at mid-day yesterday was made 3 a.m. Tuesday. After that it was again switched to 3 a.m. Wednesday.

Censors ruled the copy must be approved in advance and the correspondents were working last night to get the matter ready and approved. In the midst of the preparations Mr. Churchill spoke. All reports were temporarily held up by the censor, but finally it was decided to release the reports actually approved by the ministry of information. It was necessary to deliver the copy to the ministry and then get it to the cable office for transmission.

**SAFELY STATIONED**

The delayed release had been planned to assure the troops who arrived Sunday would be safe in

camp. Mr. Churchill's announcement, and the fact the radio promptly made the announcement from the Press Association report, made it necessary to alter the release plans.

In the shuffle correspondents were forced to an involuntary chuckle when they found the news also published in the Court Circular.

Criticism of the official handling of the story of the Canadians' arrival was voiced in the Daily Mail and in the Mirror.

The Mirror asked whether the mix-up was the fault of "utter lack of unity and co-ordination between the government departments" or whether "the censor kept the news from the public so that it might add a touch of color to Mr. Churchill's speech."

The Mail asked: "How much longer must the public tolerate this ridiculous blundering?" and said: "The big news of the week—apart from naval affairs—is the arrival of Canadian troops in this country."

The Express also questioned "whether there was any need for this lack of co-ordination among the news departments of the fighting services? Perhaps this muddle must just be looked upon as an example of confusion and we can never hope for order again under this war government."

**C.A.S.F. Artillery Reorganizing**

By GILLIS PURCELL  
WITH THE FIRST CANADIAN DIVISION, SOMEWHERE IN THE UNITED KINGDOM (CP)—Major-General A. G. L. McNaughton, general officer commanding the First Division of Canada's Active Service Force, today announced that the planned reorganization of the division's artillery field brigades into field regiments is being put into effect as approved by national defence headquarters at Ottawa. The new set-up conforms with practice in the British regular and territorial armies.

In the new organization, effective immediately, divisional artillery will normally comprise three field regiments and one anti-tank regiment under which the artillery arm was set up in Canada and transported overseas. In brief the new organization aims at more effective fire control and quicker manoeuvre.

The regiment is organized in two batteries and is equipped throughout with a modern 25-pounder field gun, called by army men "gun-how," which replaces the 18-pounders and the 4.5-inch howitzers of the brigade. The new gun combines the qualities of both earlier types of weapon and thus equipped, a homogeneity is effected which was not possible when three gun batteries and one howitzer battery made up a brigade.

Tactically and technically, the reorganization enables the fire of an artillery regiment to be handled with greater facility, the regimental officer commanding having only two batteries to deal with instead of four. Reinforcing units can be absorbed without undue strain and dislocation previously inherent in "grouping."

The provision of a local ammunition reserve within the regiment is facilitated, and the transmission of fire-control orders and the administrative capacity of the regiment is improved.

From the standpoint of personnel, the reorganization has been effected with a minimum of complication. The three field

brigades proceeded overseas with personnel appropriate to the corresponding regiments, making it possible in general to absorb in similar capacities in the new field regiment the officers and men of the old field brigade. Thus the four batteries originally comprising a brigade will remain grouped but as a regiment.

**Mass Scheme For Air Training**

OTTAWA (CP)—The British Commonwealth air training plan will apply the principle of mass production to air force training and education.

Student pilots, observers and air gunners will pass from one specialized school to another, acquiring essential knowledge and practice in each.

Under the new plan it will take 26 weeks to turn out a qualified pilot and in the course of that time the students will pass through three different schools.

Observers will also undergo 26 weeks' training but will pass through four different schools. Air gunners in 24 weeks' training will pass through three schools. The young recruit offering himself for flying service, assuming he passes the severe physical tests and measures up to the education standards required, will go first to one of three initial training schools.

These schools will probably be in the nature of large military camps, accommodating 1,000 or more men at a time. There the recruits will don uniforms and undergo the measure of disciplinary training necessary to adapt men to life in the fighting services. There will be some physical training, some lectures and instructions about the theory of air operations.

At the end of the four weeks' initial training course those found unsuitable for flying will be weeded out and the remainder divided according to their talent and taste for pilot-work, observing or gunnery.

Those selected as student pilots will proceed to one of a large number of elementary flying schools where they will learn to fly.

**'Our Tradition Is Our Trust' Says Order to C.A.S.F.**

WITH THE CANADIAN ACTIVE SERVICE FORCE, SOMEWHERE IN THE UNITED KINGDOM (CP)—Following is the text of the special order of the day issued by Major-Gen. A. G. L. McNaughton, general officer commanding the C.A.S.F. as the first Canadian contingent disembarked Sunday:

"Thanks to the care and vigilance of the naval and air forces of the United Kingdom and Canada, the movement of the First Contingent has now been completed; we are indebted also to the railways and the merchant marine for the comforts provided and for the courteous and efficient services rendered."

"Message from the Prime Minister and the Minister of National Defence make it clear that the people of Canada have reposed in us their trust to defend the cause of justice and liberty against aggression and oppression."

"In this cause we are to stand in battle beside our comrades in arms from the British Commonwealth and France, and we carry the obligation of honor to live up to the proud traditions established by the Canadian Corps."

"It is for us to prove ourselves worthy of this inheritance."

"There is still much to learn, both individually and collectively, before the first Canadian forces can be considered battle-worthy. We are to have the valued assistance of the British army in our training and experience, and it is important that every advantage be taken of this generous help."

"We must devote ourselves to becoming proficient with our weapons, instruments and vehicles, and to the practice of co-operation—individual with individual, unit with unit, arm with arm, formation with formation."

"Thus, and by our personal conduct and soldierly bearing

**Troops' Departure Shrouded in Secrecy**

By JOHN LEBLANC  
HALIFAX (CP)—As the only newspaperman accredited to cover the Canadian end of Canada's initial troop embarkation of the war, I stood at the dock as the Dominion sent away the first fighting men to move across the Atlantic to the arena of war since the stirring days of 1914-18.

It was an unforgettable sight of gay and cheerful youngsters—sprinkled here and there with a greying older of that other war—bidding a roistering farewell to the land of their homes and promising an early return after they had mopped up "on the other side." I didn't see a glum face among the thousands.

They went down to the sea in an air of bright eagerness for what lay ahead.

Some part of that high esprit de corps, without doubt, can be laid to the way their path to the sea, and over it, was smoothed before they set out. Here were none of the minor annoyances that usually accompany a movement of this bulk and serve to magnify grouses.

Everything clicked into place with precision. As far as a civilian observer like myself could see, and could learn from the men themselves, every-

and general efficiency, we will build up that implicitly mutual confidence which is the basis of the discipline we require.

"Each one of us is a representative of Canada, from whose conduct our kinsmen of the Empire and of France will form their opinion of Canada and Canadian soldiers. In consequence, each man wearing the Canadian uniform has a great responsibility—to uphold by his actions during training and on leave, no less than by his skill at arms and courage in battle, the good name of Canada and the reputation of his regiment. I ask that each individual member of the force accept as his own this great trust."

thing was ready for them when they hit here. Nothing was left to chance, nor to last-minute haste.

**UNIFIED FORCE**

One thing that made a forceful impression was the way the men from different sections of Canada merged together into a unified force. Men from the prairies chummed with easterners from the salt-water regions, who laboriously taught them the language of the sea; the Quebecois and the fighters from Ontario mingled, speaking the common tongue of the soldier.

The only grouse I ran into were ashore, the men who were helping in the work of embarkation but not going overseas themselves. One fellow had applied long before for overseas service, but they were keeping him here because his specialized knowledge was of more use at this end. But he was peeved, because he wanted to get a direct crack at the enemy.

The rigid precautions taken to ensure the secrecy of this movement were virtually impenetrable. The men on the ships, themselves, just before they sailed, didn't know when they were due to head out to sea.

For an observer like myself to get into the area around the ships called for an ironclad pass. I almost wore mine out the first day. Sentries with fixed bayonets called for it every few feet. Once aboard the ships, you had to use it to get up and down the stairs.

You had to pass five sentries to get aboard one of the ships, showing your credentials every time. Getting off, you had to show them again. Altogether, the news of the movement was kept tightly bottled up.

**BEST FOOD**

Aboard the ships, the men told me, they were treated just about as the passengers who used to travel on these luxury liners in peacetime. The grub, they agreed, was top-notch.

The people of this port, by military rule, couldn't give the troops

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the send-off they wanted to be cause of the secrecy imposed. But thousands, as the transport moved off, lined the harbor shores to send them a long-distance farewell over the waters.

I saw only one whose interest didn't approach the fever point. He was a fisherman; and as the great liners slid toward the harbor-mouth and through the narrow opening of the anti-submarine boom, he leaned over the side of his dory, calmly picking the lobsters out of his traps. He never looked up as the Empire's first overseas contingent headed into the Atlantic.

**Insist on Siesta**

MEXICO CITY (AP)—Government employees rallied today to nip an "insurrection" against Mexico's traditional three-hour siesta for lunch. Public health employees recently have gone to court in an effort to enforce working hours from 8 a.m. to 2.30 p.m. instead of the customary 9 to 1 and 4 to 6.30 hours.

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## Canadians Arrive

**A**NOTHER TRIUMPH FOR CANADIAN organization, smooth work at the Atlantic seaboard, an efficient convoy job, and a safe landing at the prearranged destination without the loss of ship or man! These are the bold facts relating to the announcement yesterday that Canada's First Division had arrived in the British Isles. Elsewhere in this issue of the Times will be found detailed narratives which will be eagerly read by an intimately interested public.

While German submarines were sinking unarmed merchantmen, inoffensive and diminutive fishing smacks; while three light cruisers were dealing death blows on Nazi pocket battleship Admiral Graf Spee, great British liners were carrying thousands of the finest soldiers ever to leave the shores of this Dominion through north Atlantic waters which must be considered as much a battle region as any other part of the high seas within reach of the enemy's underwater craft. But the Royal Navy—and, presumably, some French ships—was looking after her priceless charges, the gallant lads from Canada who had gone forth as many of their fathers had gone forth a quarter of a century ago. They must be delivered safely in the land which is now witnessing a repetition of history. Small wonder that one British writer said in his newspaper today:

"It sent a thrill through one's body to watch these hardy 'tough guys' marching on England's soil."

Yes, these Canadians are on England's soil, remembering the exhortation of Major-General McNaughton, their commander, to "carry an obligation of honor to live up to the proud traditions established by the Canadian Corps." Their arrival was by way of good measure for the news of the week-end. It rubbed in the triumphs of the sea. It was an excellent rejoinder to the Russo-German propaganda which is trying to convince the peoples of the Soviet and the Swastika that Canada is torn asunder and that discontent is rife among our people.

All the Berlin and Moscow governments can make out of the arrival of Canada's First Division, if they are in any mood to ponder it at all, is that the job has been carried out without a hitch, that where those troops came from there are thousands more preparing to follow, and that nearly 12,000,000 Canadians are in this war to put an end to everything for which Adolf Hitler and Josef Stalin stand.

## These By-Elections

**B**Y-ELECTIONS IN THESE TIMES CAN not expect to arouse much enthusiasm. But the three contests held yesterday are worth noting because they imply emphatic endorsement of the Dominion government's policy in two important Quebec constituencies. The result in Saskatoon City, however, must have been a surprise to the federal cabinet as well as to the people of Saskatchewan.

When the House of Commons meets next month that riding will be represented by the Rev. W. G. Brown, a former moderator of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, who defeated Mr. M. P. Hayes, the government's standard bearer, by a two-to-one majority. The figures were, Brown, 10,756, and Hayes, 5,766. In 1935, Dr. A. M. Young, Liberal, piled up a margin of 1,864, reversing a Conservative majority of 1,831 in 1930. Mr. Brown will be the sole representative of the United Reform Party.

In the Montreal constituency of Jacques-Cartier, Elphege Marier, Liberal, defeated Edgar Guérard, Nationalist, and Albert LaCombe, Independent Liberal, by a plurality on the unofficial count of nearly 2,300. In St. James, the vacancy caused by the death of Hon. Fernand Rinfret, Eugene Durocher, Liberal, defeated Paul Bouchard, Nationalist, by a vote of 16,968 to 6,360.

The Jacques-Cartier constituency has divided the honors between Liberals and Conservatives since the beginning of the century, the present government's supporter winning it in 1935 in a three-cornered contest by a majority of 513. With no Conservative in the running yesterday, however, Mr. Marier's victory would seem to suggest a heavy drop in the stock of the Nationalists since the overwhelming defeat of the Duplessis provincial administration last October.

From 1921 to 1935 St. James had consistently returned Mr. Rinfret with majorities ranging from 7,000 to 12,000. And it had been true to the Liberal faith since the Redistribution Act of 1892 which created it as one of the divisions of the City of Montreal. Even with five candidates bidding for honors in the general election of 1935, the late member's plurality was a trifle more than 7,000 in a total vote of 36,881. Yet with the much reduced poll of 23,348, the Liberal majority passed the 10,000 mark, which, of course, speaks for itself.

The only change in the voting strength of the Commons as a result of these three contests will be a reduction of the Liberal standing from 177 to 176 in a total of 245 members. Four vacancies have yet to be filled before the House is again at full strength.

Nazi propaganda in South America will have to soft pedal the Admiral Graf Spee "incident."

## Finland Fooled Him

**W**HAT HAPPENED TO THE SUGGESTION in a Moscow daily—the official organ of the Comintern—that Rumania had better make a deal with Soviet Russia while she had the chance to drive a fairly decent bargain? The question is pertinent because it has now been announced that the sentiments expressed in the article in question did not reflect the views of the government. At this distance it looks as if the retraction of the Soviet authorities is a more eloquent tribute to Finnish heroism in repulsing invading hordes at many points than any volume of panegyrics that might be written by a neutral observer. For it is still difficult to believe that Josef Stalin himself was not speaking in the Soviet's press ultimatum to Rumania. When a newspaper talks out of turn in either Russia or Germany it usually is treated to some form of "liquidation." And if the voice was the voice of Stalin, what were the unforeseen developments which made him recant?

The tough spirit and dauntless courage of the Finns most likely supply the answer. Stalin had not counted on much trouble with his campaign against brave little Finland. His program included swift subjugation and then, perhaps, a quick shift of activities to the Rumanian border—the Bessarabian grab. But Finland is far from finished. Rumania, incidentally, will be a still more difficult problem for Moscow as time passes.

## Pleasant Dreams

**E**MINENT MEN IN BUSINESS, SCIENCE, religion and education congregated in Pittsburgh recently and left with posterity some predictions of what this world will be like 20 years hence. Among the things expected for 1959 are employment for all, increased leisure, rocket ships, household chores done by remote control, extensive use of the photo-electric cell, glass-brick houses, glass-cloth clothes and reduction of incurable diseases.

Twenty years from now people will sit down before their radio sets and listen to the Utopian day-dreams. They will not approvingly at those experts' words which may have become reality. And they will sigh wistfully over the things that have not happened but should have. At any rate, it will be a pleasant evening's entertainment. Or will Hitler and Stalin be around then to spoil everything?

## Sir Neville's Analysis

**T**O BE NOTED FOR FUTURE REFERENCE is a widely-read United States commentator's estimate of the value of Sir Neville Henderson's final report to the British government on the conversations which preceded the commencement of the war. This is part of the comment:

"Sir Neville's analysis of the Hitlerian philosophy and the ambassador's accounts of diplomatic proceedings would appear to be as nearly dispassionate as any contemporary writing from an enemy state could be. The former emissary tries to present a clear-cut picture of diplomatic interchanges and an honest personal impression of Adolf Hitler. The document will become an important addition to the archives of the Second World War. It will give future historians a better opportunity to dissect impartially the elements that led to the 1939 conflict."

A few days ago the Nazi government issued its rejoinder. In essence, it charged Great Britain alone with responsibility for the war. As a contribution to the "literature" of the conflict and its antecedents it will stand out in stupid relief against the facts and chain of events as the world already understands them.

Stories of disaffection in Canada, now circulating in Soviet and Nazi circles, can be read side by side with accounts of the arrival in Britain of the First Canadian Division.

## How Good Is the Red Army?

From Ottawa Citizen

Finnish troops are making such an impressive stand against the Soviet invaders that the question is being asked in many minds. How good is the Red army? The Poles, with a much more numerous fighting force, did not make anything near the show against Hitler's legions that the Finns are making against Stalin's.

Among the factors which may explain the slower progress of the Russians are the more difficult terrain they are battling over; the wintry conditions and the short hours of daylight; and the special capacity of the Finns for guerrilla tactics against superior numbers.

Allowing for these things, however, there seems to be cause for supposing that the Red army is not the mighty machine it has been cracked up to be. No question arises regarding the fighting qualities of Russian soldiers; the warfare on the Eastern Front during 1914-17 disposed of any suspicions on that score.

It is less than two years since the great purge of the Russian military machine was carried out by Stalin. Did he remove his best generals? In 1938 there disappeared or perished all the 80 members of the Council of War, established in 1934 to assist the commissar of defence. Some 30 marshals and generals and other high commanders were liquidated, together with thousands of officers of lesser rank. Souvarine, in his biography of Stalin, says that not less than 30,000 members of the Red army and navy, chiefly officers, were obliterated.

Such wholesale purges were bound to have an effect on the character of the army as a whole. Thousands of trained officers cannot be replaced in a year or two.

## Parallel Thoughts

And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive.—Matthew 21:22.

Every prayer that is really such—that is, which flows from the inward necessity of the soul—God answers.—Olshausen.

## Loose Ends

By BRUCE HUTCHISON

### WISE NATURE

**T**HE WISEST THING nature ever did for the human animal was to give him a thick skin and a sure sense of distance. If nature had failed to equip him in this manner I hesitate to think what would have happened to us in the last few months. We would all be dead of sympathy.

Fortunately, if an outrage or a disaster occurs more than a thousand miles away it touches us like sound from a great distance, faintly. You can kill a thousand Finns and it won't cause half as much disturbance to the population of Victoria as the killing of one child on Government Street. You can sink 500 Japanese and Russians in a shipwreck off Japan, as occurred the other day, and it passes off without a sigh in these parts, whereas a boating accident off Clover Point will stir the community. You can desolate half of Europe, shift populations about as in the old slave days, shoot Poles wholesale and it is only a problem with us, a bloodless thing like print on paper, like figures in a cash register, like debate in parliament. But a single murder here will send shudders down our spines.

It is a good thing. If we could feel normal pity for the world now we would certainly not survive it. If we could multiply our grief for a single bit of misery here by the numbers of persons in misery in Europe today, we would all go crazy. And it would spoil all the Christmas trade.

Nature knew what she was doing.

### ILLITERATE

**P**ROFESSOR EDWARD L. THORNDIKE, an eminent American pedagogue, has been telling them in New York that America is economically illiterate and that we must start teaching our children something about economics if our economic system is to survive. The professor holds that in our present condition, half of the adult population will believe, if you keep telling them often enough, that "the federal government can give every citizen \$10 at no cost to anybody."

If this part of America is any criterion more than half of the population believes that already, but does not confine itself to a miserable \$10. This is a big country so that most people feel the government could give everybody a thousand dollars at no cost to anybody. Why be mean and trifling about it?

Personally, I am economically illiterate. That is because the schools had never discovered economics when I went to them and most of our politicians are in the same plight. But I know my ignorance. I do not venture to express opinions on matters I do not understand. And unlike among all my friends, I do not scorn those who do know something.

I know it is a radical view, but I am prepared to believe that if a man has studied economics all his life he may know more about them than the man who has never studied them at all. The ordinary opinion, I am aware, is that if a man has been to college and learned something he should be suspected immediately and most likely, locked up.

The current view is that if a man has any learning he has no place in public life. The public does not want knowledge in its public affairs. It wants the air full of dead cats all the time, with bombs exploding and Roman candles. I admit it is a nicer way to go on, a more enjoyable sort of life, the ideal kind of government. But the trouble is that dead cats won't serve any more in this ridiculous age. We may get back to a glorious dead-cat age some time, if we are lucky, but for a while we must endure men who know and admittedly they are a dull lot.

### DELUGE

**O**NE OF THE OTHER current phenomena which baffles me is the manner in which publications of all sorts continue to drive through the world like a blizzard. You have only to get your name into the paper twice and instantly some organization in Yonkers, N.Y., or Peoria, Ill., puts you on its mailing list. I suppose thousands of dollars have been wasted in postage sending me publications that I never even open, and I have wasted hundreds of hours carting them off to the big bonfire pile near the orchard (and I must complain that the ashes from them is of no great value as a chemical fertilizer).

There must be millions of men and women steadily writing and printing billions and billions of words every month that nobody reads and paying postage on them in the hope of changing the world. And the world doesn't change. It lights a fire by the orchard.

I have given up trying to avoid the deluge. It increases every year until my bonfires are the chief spectacle of the neighborhood, and everywhere else in America, I suppose, labor and ideas, words and type are going up in smoke daily, but no one is discouraged.

Words, printed words, black words on white paper, are more habit-forming than opium, more fatal than strong drink. Once contracted, the habit is never cured until some poor souls, lacking a linotype machine and printing press, seem to spend their whole lives writing to me by hand. I wish them a Merry Christmas and a brief holiday.

### CAPTIOUS COUPLETS

I'd rather be a common victualer Than look or act like Adolf Hitler, A valet's job with Herman Goring Is probably quite far from boring.

Who took a poke at Dr. Goebbels? Hell! Hell! My heart with rapture boobels. Of this I couldn't be much sadder: Deutschland could use a different Fuehrer.

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So this night may the sons of earth,  
Hearing gay carol and glad chime,  
Recall the Vision of His birth,  
Find comfort in a bitter time.  
—PAULINE HAVARD

### LOSSES COUNTERBALANCED

From Christian Science Monitor  
The shipyards of the world are launching an estimated 200,000 tons of vessels a month, an amount almost equal to sinkings. Even assuming intensified submarine activity and greater sinkings by mines which might jump destruction by 50 per cent, new construction is being accelerated to meet the threat. The British government is giving assistance to shipping concerns in an unprecedented speed-up program begun last spring. France has 1,000,000 tons more of ships than in 1914 and is hastening launchings. Neutrals have doubled, and United States quadrupled, the 1914 tonnage. Unless building is checked by effective air attacks or other means the shipping industry, it would appear, can be counted on to more than counter-balance sinkings with new launchings. It did so in 1914-18, and it is vastly more efficient now.

### THEY WENT AROUND A LOT

From Boston Herald  
The barring of whirling dervishes in Turkey fills us with a vague regret. We always admired those boys. They went around such a lot and never had to worry about the price of gasoline!

### Better English

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "Let us consider it from this standpoint."  
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "Arab"?  
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Phoenix, phonetics, phonograph.  
4. What does the word "perfidious" mean?  
5. What is a word beginning with af that means "to unite in a close connection"?  
Answers  
1. Say, "Let us consider it from this point of view."  
2. Pronounce arab, both a's as in at, second a unstressed, accent first syllable, and not first a as in ace. 3. Phonograph. 4. Basely false to trust. "Ignorance soon yields to perfidious counsels."—Addison. 5. Affiliate.

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## Seek Lots for Sailors' Club

A delegation from the Victoria and Island Branch Navy League of Canada and Esquimalt navy headquarters interviewed the Esquimalt Council last evening with regard to the erection of a sailors' club in the municipality.

Capt. J. A. Phillips, honorary secretary of the local branch of the Navy League and spokesman for the delegation, asked the council to donate three lots on Admirals Road, near the old waterworks property, for the construction of the club if sufficient funds could be raised.

He said that the suggested cost of the building was between \$40,000 and \$45,000. A fee for membership would handle the upkeep of the establishment.

Reeve Alex Lockley, in speaking for the council, said that the need for such a club was realized and that everything possible would be done to help in the building of a club, but he asked, would the league hand the building over to the naval authorities after it had been completed?

If such was the case the municipality would lose the land and taxes.

"The ratepayers of this municipality have been carrying too big a burden," he said. "We have either to stop it right now or go out of business."

Capt. Phillips pointed out the great need for such a club. There was nothing for the men to do

when on leave, outside visiting a few shows and beer parlors.

"If you can convince the council that the club will not be run by naval authorities at any time, I think something could be done," Reeve Lockley replied.

"We have not had fair treatment from the Department of National Defence," he said. "They use our lights, roads and schools, and we do not receive a cent from them."

At this point Lieut. Commander A. C. Wurtele, from the navy, told the council that it was the intention to keep the building, if it was erected, outside naval jurisdiction.

The council then decided that the matter would be discussed at the next meeting and the delegation would be informed of what could be done.

Councillor Albert Heald asked if it was the intention to apply for a liquor license for the club, to which Capt. Phillips replied negatively.

## Six Y.M.C.A. Men Accompany Troops

Six Canadian Y.M.C.A. men are with the Dominion's First Division (as part of the auxiliary services) which arrived in England yesterday, according to an announcement by J. W. Beaton, Toronto, secretary of the Y.M.C.A. national war service committee, Frank Paulding, general secretary of the local association said today.

E. D. Otter of Toronto will be the senior official and other members will be Dr. T. W. Jones of Montreal; T. C. Armour of Kitchener; Max Ford and Greig Macdonald of Montreal and George Porteous, formerly of Victoria and now of Brantford.

Messrs. Otter, Jones and Armour served in France with the Y.M.C.A. during the Great War.

Western member of the group is Mr. Porteous. He is a graduate of the University of Saskatchewan and has a wide experience among young men. He was boys' work secretary of the Victoria association from 1923 to 1925.

MELBOURNE, Australia (CP)—When Emma the emu's eggs didn't hatch at the zoo here, George the male emu sat on them for two weeks, but they still didn't produce. So George and Emma are waiting for next year.

## Chamber Against Limit on Loans

The directors of the Victoria Chamber of Commerce, at a meeting yesterday afternoon, endorsed a resolution from the chamber's building trades group objecting to the Dominion government's plan to set a maximum limit of \$4,000 on each loan under the National Housing Act after January 1.

Notice of the government's proposed action was obtained through the press, it was reported. The newspaper stories also stated no loans would be made after the new year for duplex and apartment houses. To that the directors had no objection, satisfied with the government version that they were built on speculation and were therefore a doubtful risk. But the meeting thought every possible encouragement should be given Canadian citizens to build new homes under the government system and it was believed the new \$4,000 limit would prevent those wishing the more costly home from doing it.

The resolution points out that in the opinion of the building trades group of the Chamber of Commerce the proposed restriction of loans under the act would result not only in an increase in unemployment in this district, but would adversely affect all workers in the building trades and manufacturers of goods and fittings used in the same.

The chamber, it was announced, is seeking endorsement of the resolution from the City, Oak Bay, Saanich and Esquimalt councils, the Trades and Labor Council, the Builders' Exchange and the Canadian Manufacturers' Association.

It was reported the government had taken this step as it wanted the money for war purposes.

Brooke Stephenson reported to the meeting that 216 loans had been taken out in Victoria to date. Seventy-five per cent of them had been in the \$4,000 class, the remainder above that figure.

## ESQUIMALT COUNCIL BRIEFS

The Esquimalt Council last evening received and filed a letter from the chairman of the Liquor Control Board in receipt of a motion passed at the last meeting of the council against the granting of any further liquor licenses in the municipality. The motion was passed as the result of a delegation of residents of the municipality to the meeting opposing the establishing of further beer parlors in the district.

The letter acknowledged the resolution without mention of policy in regard to the granting of licenses in the district in the future.

It was agreed on recommendation from Mayor Andrew McGavin, chairman of the Air Raid Precautions' Committee, Victoria Metropolitan District, that Esquimalt will pay \$10 per month as its share of a \$50 grant to the Civilian Protection Committee for maintenance of office organization.

It was recommended that the city pay \$15 a month, Oak Bay \$12.50, and Saanich \$12.50. Capt. William Ellis, organizer and chairman of the committee, had requested the grant.

A suggestion from the Chief of Police and public works foreman that leasing of property on Esquimalt Road for the erection of advertising sign boards was undesirable, was accepted.

A communication from the Real Estate Board of Victoria offering co-operation in any way in the preparation for a unified transportation system for Greater Victoria, was received and filed.

A move to limit loans under the Dominion Housing Act to \$4,000 and the suspension of loans for apartment buildings and duplexes to come into effect January 1, 1940, introduced by the Building and Trades' committee of the Chamber of Commerce, for endorsement, was laid on the table for further consideration.

A request by E. Meads for a street light at the corner of Carden and Woolwich Roads was referred to the fire and lights committee.

A letter from W. E. A. Barclay objecting to the placing of three street lights on Admirals Road near the Naval Barracks if it meant an increase in taxes, was received and filed.

It was decided to offer William Stephenson \$300 for a piece of property 300 feet by 30 feet on Phoenix Street. The strip of property will be used for widening the road.

A resolution to pay salaries, wages and indemnities before Christmas was passed and Ismay, Bolston, Holden and Company, chartered accountants, were appointed auditors for school books and accounts.

## COLONEL HODGINS CALLED BY DEATH

Lieut. Col. Arthur E. Hodgins, 1471 Fairfield Road, a veteran of two wars and one of the oldest surviving graduates of the Royal Military College at Kingston, died in the Jubilee Hospital last night after an extended illness. He was 78 and had resided in Victoria since 1915.

In civil life Col. Hodgins was a pioneer among railway builders in South Africa and Canada and was on location parties with the C.P.R. through the prairies and Rockies in construction days.

He was born in 1861, son of Mr. Justice Thomas Hodgins, K.C., Toronto. He was educated at Upper Canada College and later entered R.M.C. in 1878. In 1881 at Shorncliffe, England, he was a member of the Canadian artillery team.

Soon after leaving college he joined the C.P.R. engineering staff, with which he worked in the east and west. He also spent some time on railway work in Mexico. In 1897 he joined the Rocky Mountain Rangers. When the Boer War broke out he and his company joined the Royal Canadian Regiment for service in South Africa with the 1st Canadian Contingent. He was promoted to the rank of major following action at Paardeburg and Bloemfontein, and later was made officer in charge of construction of military railways in the Transvaal and Orange Free State.

He became superintendent engineer of the Central South African Railways after the war, later returning to Canada to assist in construction work for the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway. He retired in 1909 and lived at Duncan until 1915.

In the latter year he organized and recruited the 1st Canadian Pioneer Battalion of the First Division, and war once again found him bound overseas. In France he was made assistant director of light military railways. After 14 months in France he was invalided home.

From 1919 to 1924 he was district engineer for Vancouver Island with the Provincial Department of Public Works.

He is survived by his widow, two sons, A. M., in Victoria; Thomas, in Vancouver; a daughter, Mrs. Walter Edmonds, Southern Rhodesia, and two grandchildren. Also a brother, Lieut. Col. C. R. Hodgins, Victoria; and a sister, Miss G. H. Hodgins, Montreal.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

Home economists say that children are often able to dress and undress themselves long before their mothers realize it.

## Nanaimo Worried At Mine Closure

NANAIMO (CP)—Closing of Reserve Mine at the week-end and the partial closing of repair shops by Canadian Collieries (Dunsmuir) Ltd., in Nanaimo, resulted in Nanaimo City Council taking steps last night to attempt to get the coal company to reconsider its decision.

The council heard a delegation from the United Mine Workers of America including William Atkinson, district representative, Ed Boyd, secretary, and Percy Lawson, recording secretary.

Communication from the U.M.W.A. stated some 18 months ago 1,000 members of the union were in active employment in the Nanaimo area. Today approximately 550 were employed. Two mines had been closed within a period of one year. This fact alone, stated the union, emphasized the urgent need for the city to take steps to start a thorough investigation of the whole situation by all parties interested in the welfare of the city and surrounding area.

Council called upon the mayor to name a committee to call representatives of all businesses of all sections of the city to go into the matter.

Mr. Atkinson said the situation was "one I do not think should be allowed to go on."

He stated there had been government assistance of \$319,000 for coal mining in this district in the past few years. While not questioning the coal company management he maintained this money had not been used to maintain the industry as it had been a few years ago. He quoted figures from coal commission reports of 1936 and 1935 which stated coal reserves in 1935 were 30,000,000 tons. Recoverable coal at that period was 18,000,000 tons. Not all of that total had been mined. In addition he believed a survey would bring more coal to light. Nanaimo had at one time produced 800,000 tons a year. He maintained there was ample coal locally to keep 1,000 men at work.

Mr. Lawson protested at closing of maintenance shops. Work in these shops was curtailed in Nanaimo, he stated. Repair work was to go to Union Bay.

Council also adopted a resolution requesting the Canadian Collieries (Dunsmuir) Ltd., to reconsider their decision in regard to closing of machine shops in Nanaimo. A copy of their resolution will be forwarded to the Department of Labor in Victoria. Alderman D. D. Knox stated closing of the shops would mean

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the loss of from \$15,000 to \$20,000 per year in wages to local workers and business houses.

## Chinese Battle Japanese in Kaifeng

HONGKONG (AP)—A Chinese army spokesman declared today units harassing the Japanese in Honan province were fighting the Japanese garrison in streets of the provincial capital, Kaifeng.

The action, he said, was part of a widespread co-ordinated attack on Japanese bases and communication lines during a Japanese replacement program, but was not a general drive.

The Chinese reported temporary penetration Sunday of the city walls at Hangchow and Nanchang, and close approach to Yochow, all held for months by the Japanese.

## Christmas Dinner At 'Y' Tomorrow

The annual Christmas dinner at the Y.M.C.A., open to the general public, will be held tomorrow evening in the association dining hall at 6.15.

Turkey and all the trimmings will be served and a fine program of entertainment will be staged.

E. G. Rowebottom, a member of the board of directors, will act as master of ceremonies, and the program will be as follows: Ed Groves, saxophone solos; Arnold Trevett, baritone solos; Norval Peterson, affluor; Alec Semple, elocutionist; Jack Fitness, banjo selections; Bert Lilley, humorist; James Hood, tenor solos. Viv Shoemaker, boys' work secretary of the "Y", will act as pianist and will direct community singing.

## GIRL CONVICTED ON DOG CHARGE

VANCOUVER—Convicted by Magistrate H. S. Wood in Police Court of abandoning a dog so that unnecessary distress was caused it, Phyllis Yardley of Langley was fined \$5.

Evidence of witnesses showed that Mrs. Yardley's automobile struck the dog, a small Scottie, on Kingsway near the Carleton School on September 26.

The accused admitted the accident and told the court she stopped her car, looked back and saw that some boys and a man in another car had stopped and picked up the dog.

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## Liberals Hold 2 Seats, Lose 1

By the Canadian Press  
In three federal by-elections yesterday, the Liberals retained two Montreal seats and lost the Saskatoon riding to a new political organization—the United Reform Party.

The government's victory in Montreal-St. James and Montreal-Jacques Cartier by substantial margins did not surprise political circles, but the United Reform win in Saskatoon was considered an upset. The decision in the Saskatchewan riding marked the first loss suffered by the Liberals of seats won in the 1935 general election when the Conservatives were swept out of office.

In Jacques Cartier, Elphège Marier, Liberal, defeated Edgar Guérard, Nationalist, and Albert Lacombe, Independent Liberal, by a sweeping majority. The new member, who fills the vacancy created by the death of Vital Mallette, is a lawyer and a specialist in municipal law.

Eugene Durocher, Liberal, defeated Paul Bouchard, Nationalist, in St. James. He has been a Montreal alderman for the past year and was in the exporting business before becoming an insurance broker. The seat formerly was held by the late Hon. Fernand Rinfret, Secretary of State.

The Saskatoon seat was won by Rev. W. G. Brown, a former Moderator of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, defeating M. P. Hayes, Liberal. It will be the first time the new United Reform Party has been represented in Parliament. The death of Dr. A. M. Young created the vacancy.

Liberals now hold 176 seats, Conservatives 39, Social Crediters 15, Co-operative Commonwealth Federation 7, Independent 2, United Farmers of Ontario-Labor 1, United Reform 1, and four are vacant in the 245-seat House.

## Russia Quotes C.C.F. Workers of B.C.

LONDON (CP).—German and Russian broadcasts have been paying particular attention to Canada in the past two weeks, disseminating all sorts of alleged news and views of the Canadian people.

The German broadcasts are obviously aimed at persuading French-Canadians that they should not take part in Canada's war effort. Russia is attempting to persuade the world that Canada endorses the Red Army's invasion of Finland.

On December 15 a Moscow broadcast quoted the "C.C.F. Workers' Club of British Columbia" as protesting against curtailment of civil liberties in Canada and as declaring Finland "must not be used as an imperialist base."

Again on December 16 a Moscow broadcast in English included a declaration of the "C.C.F. workers' Club of British Columbia" that all Russia was doing was to prevent Finland being used as a base for attack on the U.S.S.R.

German broadcasts have been directed mainly at Quebec audiences. The main theme has been an attempt to prove that the war was started by Britain in the pursuit of selfish imperialism, while France had been dragged in unwillingly.

## THE WEATHER

VICTORIA 8 a.m. today—Pressure remains high over the Rocky Mountain states and a deep disturbance approaching the British Columbia coast from the west has caused gales with heavy rain near Vancouver Island. The weather has become cooler in the interior with some light falls of snow or sleet. It has become colder in the prairie provinces.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.55; temperature, max. 47, min. 41; wind, 5 miles N.W.; precip., 0.1; clouds, 100 per cent.  
Vancouver—Barometer, 29.39; temperature, max. 48, min. 41; wind, 5 miles N.W.; precip., 0.1; clouds, 100 per cent.  
Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.45; temperature, max. 49, min. 43; wind, 3 miles S.E.; precip., 0.1; clouds, 100 per cent.  
San Francisco—Barometer, 29.12; temperature, max. 66, min. 41; wind, 5 miles S.E.; clear.

	Max.	Min.
Victoria	47	41
Nanaimo	46	40
Vancouver	48	41
New Westminster	46	41
Prince Rupert	49	43
Dawson	4	4
Seattle	50	44
Portland	49	43
San Francisco	66	41
Kamloops	39	27
Prince George	37	27
Kelowna	43	26
Pentticon	33	23
Vernon	33	23
Nelson	38	28
Grand Forks	35	25
Kaslo	38	31
Calgary	40	17
Edmonton	38	15
Prince Albert	28	6
Saskatoon	28	12
Winnipeg	30	29
Toronto	41	37
Ottawa	34	24
St. John	38	29
Halifax	39	33



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Frank and Archie—KJR.  
Hanger's Cabin—KJR.  
Tom Mix—KJR, KGO at 8:15.  
Orphan Annie—KOL at 8:15.

**5:30**  
Pot of Gold—KOMO, KPO.  
Sherlock Holmes—KJR, KGO.  
Court of Missing Links—KJR.  
Zucker's Orchestra—KJR.  
News—KGO, KVI, KX, KVI at 8:45.  
Shirley Davis—KIRO, KX, KVI at 8:45.  
Orphan Annie—KOL at 8:45.

**6**  
From the Music Room—KOMO, KPO.  
Cavalcade of Hiss—KGO.  
Melodic Moments—KJR.  
Community Song—KGO at 8:15.  
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**10:30**  
Foster's Orchestra—KOMO, KJR.  
Saunders—KJR.  
News—KJR.  
Nightingale Yarns—KIRO, KX, KVI, 10:45.  
Van's Orchestra—KOL at 10:45.  
Buntan's Orchestra—KJR at 10:45.

**11**  
Ravanna's Orchestra—KOMO, KPO.  
News—KJR, KGO, KIRO, KX, KVI, 11:05.  
Lopez Orchestra—KVI.  
Paul Carson—KJR at 11:15.  
Howard's Orchestra—KOL at 11:15.

**11:30**  
Noble's Orchestra—KOMO, KPO.  
Blayer's Orchestra—KVI.  
Paul Carson—KJR.  
Six Hills and a Miss—KOL.  
Gluskin's Orchestra—KX at 11:45.

**Tomorrow**  
**7:30**  
News—KJR, KIRO, KX, KVI.  
Minutes—KJR.  
Devotions—KJR at 7:45.

**8**  
Cronkley's Kitchen—KPO.  
Financial Service—KGO.  
Breakfast Club—KOL.  
Young Dr. Malone—KJR, KGO at 8:15.  
Singer and Singer—KJR at 8:15.  
Bus Ward—KJR at 8:15.

**8:30**  
Against the Storm—KOMO, KPO.  
Wayne Van Dyke—KGO, KJR.  
Cantor—KJR.  
Outing Light—KOMO, KPO at 8:45.  
Charles Ruyter—KGO, KJR at 8:45.  
My Children—KIRO, KX, KVI at 8:45.  
Homemaker's Forum—KOL at 8:45.

**9**  
News—KJR, KGO.  
The Smith Speaks—KIRO, KX, KVI.  
Katherine Hamilton—KJR.  
Shut-ins—KJR.  
O'Neill—KOMO, KPO at 9:15.  
On the Air—KGO at 9:15.  
Interlude—KGO at 9:15.  
Old Market—KX, KVI at 9:15.  
Rakov's Orchestra—KJR at 9:15.  
Gospel Songs—KJR at 9:15.

**9:30**  
Tena and Tim—KOMO, KPO.  
Farm and Home—KJR, KGO.  
Boim Train—KIRO, KX, KVI.  
Toronto Trio—KJR.  
Gai Sunday—KIRO, KX, KVI at 9:45.

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Goldberg—KIRO, KX, KVI.  
Happy Gang—KJR.  
Fisher J. F. McFarley—KOL.  
Cronkley's Kitchen—KPO.  
Ellen Randolph—KOMO, KPO at 10:15.  
Through a Woman's Eyes—KGO at 10:15.  
Beautiful Life—KIRO, KX, KVI at 10:15.  
Stars of the Week—KJR at 10:15.

**10:30**  
Paul Martin's Music—KGO.  
This Day is Ours—KIRO, KX, KVI.  
Miller's Orchestra—KJR.  
Dr. Kase—KOMO, KPO at 10:45.  
Lenny Ross—KIRO, KX, KVI at 10:45.  
Phil Smith—KJR at 10:45.  
Voice of Experience—KOL at 10:45.  
Peter McGregor—KJR at 10:45.

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Betty and Bob—KOMO, KPO.  
Music for Young Listeners—KGO.  
Big Sister—KIRO, KX, KVI, KJR.  
News—KJR.  
Grimm's Daughter—KOMO, KPO at 11:15.  
Quitting See—KGO at 11:15.

**11:30**  
Valiant Lady—KOMO, KPO.  
The Waltons—KJR, KGO.  
Brenda Curtis—KIRO, KX, KVI.  
Singer's Song—KJR.  
Betty Crocker—KOMO, KPO at 11:45.  
My Son and I—KIRO, KX, KVI at 11:45.

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Mary Martin—KOMO, KPO.  
Orphan's of Divorce—KJR, KGO.  
Joyce Jordan—KIRO, KX, KVI.  
Musical Mosaic—KJR.  
Ma Perkins—KOMO, KPO at 12:15.  
Charm Twins—KGO, KJR at 12:15.  
Ballads—KJR at 12:15.

**12:30**  
Pepper Youngs—KOMO, KPO.  
News—KIRO, KX, KVI, KJR.  
U.S.C. Concert—KJR.  
Vic and Sade—KOMO, KPO at 12:45.

Neuritis Pains Disappear  
Stomach Gas is Relieved  
He Thanks Mosby's Tonic

Mr. Dumas Had Severe Leg Pains—Very Nervous—Stomach Gassy and Upset—Now Mosby's Tonic Has Relieved Him and He Says: "I Feel Fine Now. This Medicine Is Splendid!"

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## Neuritis Pains, Gaseous Stomach, Nervousness

"For more than a year I had been suffering with neuritis pains in my leg," said Mr. Dumas. "Sometimes the pains were so severe that I can hardly describe them. I lost many days of work on account of this suffering. Besides this neuritis, my stomach was so afflicted that I could hardly eat without having gas pains afterward. Sometimes this gas swelling would keep me awake at nights and, I tell you, it certainly is real suffering. Bowels were very sluggish. In fact, they almost REFUSED to ACT without some kind of laxative. I couldn't sleep and always felt worn out. So you can see that my condition was discouraging."

## Now Feels Fine; No Pain; Stomach Distress Goes

"Now, as I said before, my trouble had been going on for a solid year or more and although I tried many

## Headliners Tonight

**5:00**—Aldrich Family—KOMO, KPO.  
**5:30**—Pot of Gold—KOMO, KPO.  
**5:30**—Sherlock Holmes—KGO, KJR.  
**6:00**—Music Room—KOMO, KPO.  
**6:30**—Fibber McGee—KOMO, KPO.  
**6:30**—Bob Crosby—KIRO, KX, KVI.  
**7:00**—Bob Hope—KOMO, KPO.  
**7:00**—Childhood of Christ—KJR.  
**7:30**—Dogsbody—KOMO, KPO.  
**8:00**—Fred Waring—KOMO, KPO.  
**8:00**—Information, Please—KJR, KGO.  
**8:30**—Johnny Presents—KOMO, KPO.  
**8:30**—Aldrich Family—KGO, KJR.  
**8:30**—Big Town—KIRO, KX, KVI, KJR.  
**9:00**—We, the People—KIRO, KX, KVI.  
**9:30**—Battle of Sexes—KOMO, KPO.

**News**  
**5:00**—KGO, KVI; **5:45**—KIRO, KX, KVI; **5:55**—KIRO, KX, KVI; **6:30**—KJR, KOL; **7:00**—KOL, KJR; **8:00**—KJR, KGO; **9:00**—KOL; **9:30**—KJR; **9:45**—KOL; **10:00**—KOMO, KPO, KIRO, KX, KVI; **10:30**—KJR, KGO, KIRO, KX, KVI, KOL.

**Network Stations**  
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KJR (970), KGO (790)—National Blue.  
KIRO (710), KX (1,050), KVI (560)—Columbia.  
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U.S. Dept. of Agriculture—KJR, KGO, 12:45.  
Adventures in Science—KX at 12:15.  
Richard Maxwell—KX at 12:45.

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Road at Life—KJR, KGO.  
Chas. Maline—KJR, KGO.  
Kitty Kelly—KIRO, KX, KVI.  
School of Air—KOL.  
Mother—KJR.  
Myrt and Marge—KIRO, KX, KVI at 1:15.  
Christmas Plans—KJR at 1:15.

**1:30**  
Mr. Dinwiddie—KOMO, KPO.  
Hilltop House—KIRO, KX, KVI.  
Sue's Notebook—KJR.  
Blue State Special—KIRO, KX, KVI, 1:45.  
ABC News—KJR at 1:45.

**2**  
Girl Alone—KOMO, KPO.  
Children's Christmas—KJR, KGO.  
Kathleen Norris—KIRO, KX, KVI.  
Midstream—KOMO, KPO at 2:15.  
Dr. Susan—KIRO, KX, KVI at 2:15.  
Merry Family—KOL at 2:15.

**2:30**  
Kitty Keane—KPO.  
Happened in Hollywood—KIRO, KX, KVI.  
Amelia and her Accordion—KJR.  
Dancing Sisters—KIRO, KX, KVI, 2:45.  
Stella Dallas—KIRO, KX, KVI, 2:45.  
Stock Exchange—KJR at 2:45.

**3**  
Rush Hedges—KOMO, KPO.  
Barron's Orchestra—KIRO, KX, KVI.  
Church Choir—KOL.  
Hedda Hopper—KIRO, KX, KVI at 3:15.  
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**3:30**  
Woman's Mag. of Air—KIRO, KPO.  
Song Sisters—KJR, KGO.  
H. V. Kallenborn—KIRO, KX, KVI.  
L. J. Amer—KJR, KGO at 3:45.  
Today in Europe—KIRO, KX, KVI, 3:45.  
Lester's Ensemble—KOL at 3:45.

**4**  
Easy Aces—KOMO, KPO.  
Foggy's Orchestra—KJR, KGO.  
Mr. Keen—KOMO, KPO at 4:15.  
Maurice's Orchestra—KJR at 4:15.  
Haven of Rest—KOL at 4:15.

**4:30**  
Cugat's Orchestra—KOMO, KJR.  
Paul Barron's Music—KGO.  
Gluskin's Orchestra—KIRO.  
Canadian Medical Association—KJR, 4:45.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mearns, the former Phyllis Hodgson, who are honeymooning in California, following their wedding last Saturday at St. Paul's Garrison Church.

Photo by Robert Fort



### Lady Thornton on Airlines Survey

VANCOUVER (CP) — Lady Thornton, widow of Sir Henry Thornton, former president of the Canadian National Railways, is en route to the eastern United States today after a brief visit in Vancouver.

Lady Thornton is making a survey of a United States (United) Airline, during which she will fly more than 25,000 miles. She is scheduled to make similar tours for nearly all major airlines in the United States, and hopes later to fly across Canada on a Trans-Canada Air Lines plane.

### ENGAGEMENTS

**BAKER-MOREY**  
Mr. and Mrs. P. Morey, 1071 Finlayson Avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter, Gladys May, to Mr. Cyril E. Baker, second son of Mr. L. E. Baker, 3720 Craigmillar, and the late Mrs. Baker. The wedding will take place February 24 at the Grace Lutheran Church, Blanshard Street.

The Sherwood Auxiliary of W.M.S. will meet on Thursday at the parlour, Belmont Avenue, at 2.30. Election of officers will take place.

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### Tapestry Hobby of Visiting Stage Designer

"One can be quite happy in a little shack on top of a mountain, if one is creating something. This always astonishes people out here. They move so quickly."

The illuminating comment is made by Mme. Krastoever, Swiss artist who is visiting Victoria for the first time, having accepted an invitation from the Red Cross Society to design the costumes for their production of "A Midsummer Night's Dream," to be shown at the Empire Theatre Wednesday and Thursday nights. Although she has lived in the Okanagan for the last few years, Mme. Krastoever has never seen Vancouver Island before. She is staying with Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Aldins at Gordon Head.

### FAMOUS FOR TAPESTRY

Mme. Krastoever has had a most fascinating life. She is famous for her tapestry work, many of her pieces having been exhibited at European art centres in Zurich, Geneva, Munich, Milano, London, Paris, New York and eastern Canada. She has also achieved considerable stature in the theatre world for costume design. For three years she worked with the famous Russian impresario Pitoeff at the Theatre des Champs Elysees in Paris.

"People here are so busy they forget what they are after," Mme. Krastoever laughs.

Although she has been away from her home in Switzerland for the last few years, Mme. Krastoever still has the continental manner. She speaks with an engaging accent, freely, her brown eyes sparkling with interest, her hands moving in expressive gestures.

Mme. Krastoever and her husband live quietly in Summerland, B.C. At least, they make their headquarters there when they aren't traveling about the world. Each is devoted to his own interests. M. Krastoever is a gifted violinist and was renowned in Switzerland as a mountain climber.

Mme. Krastoever's passion is her tapestry work. She recently completed her largest piece depicting the Kootenay Indians. It represents 350 hours of labor, which is considerable, as "four hours a day with rests every half hour is as much as anyone can do," Mme. Krastoever explains. The needlework is so fine it is a great strain on the eyes and "I would look so funny in glasses," she chuckles.

Her burning ambition since she first became interested in tapestry work as a girl is to adapt the craft to the modern idiom, depicting living people and scenes rather than conventional archaic designs. Her husband and she recently returned from three or four months in the South Seas and Mexico where she made fascinating sketches for the natives and is now anxious to see them transformed into needlepoint.

### WORKED FOR PARIS STAGE

Born near Geneva in a small winter resort she worked with the needle as a girl. As a hobby she designed costumes for stage productions in Geneva. Her work was noticed by the Russian producer Pitoeff, famous then for his modern stage sets. He was so impressed with her work and originality he took her to Paris as his assistant in stage and costume designing at the Theatre des Champs Elysees for three of the most fascinating years of her life. Their most sensational work was the staging of Hamlet in a completely black and silver setting.

Mme. Krastoever gave up her theatrical designing shortly after her marriage and has since devoted her talents to tapestry work, traveling extensively with her husband collecting material. She is delighted to be able to donate her services to the Red Cross and resume her former hobby, creating costumes for the entire cast of "A Midsummer Night's Dream." She is being assisted in their execution by the ladies of the Red Cross Auxiliary, all of whom are donating their services.

The W.B.A. Pioneer Club met recently at the new home of Mrs. D. Burnett, Saanich Road, with Mrs. J. Winter, president, in the chair. Election of officers resulted in all the officers returned by acclamation. A pleasant hour was spent after the meeting, refreshments being served by the hostess, who was given a hearty vote of thanks, and also a gift from the club members. The next meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. Dresser, 1235 Montrose Avenue, on January 26.

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Bombardier Lestock Peter Cockburn, R.C.A., and his bride, the former Gwendolyn Patricia Thornycroft Rhodes, who were married recently.

### Social and Personal

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Attfield left on Sunday to spend a month's holiday in California.

Col. and Mrs. R. F. Bingham of Deep Cove have come into town for the winter months and are resident at 721 Moss Street.

Word has been received by relatives here of the birth of a daughter yesterday to Constable and Mrs. Raymond Sandy of Fort St. John, B.C.

Miss Elvynne Forde of Trail will arrive at the week-end to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Forde, Central Avenue, Oak Bay.

Mrs. D. A. Grant of Tofino and her daughter, Mrs. A. Godson, are visiting in Victoria and are staying at Devonshire House, Fort Street.

Mrs. E. Jenkinson, Linden Avenue, left this afternoon for Armstrong, B.C., where she will spend the holiday season with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Jenkinson.

Air Commodore Earl A. Godfrey and Mrs. Godfrey, who arrived recently from Vancouver, will take up their residence shortly at "Dyke House," View Royal, the home of Commander and Mrs. W. B. Holmes, who will make their home in Kingston, Ont.

Mrs. Reed Paige Clark entertained with a small luncheon party at her home, "Rifflington," the Uplands, today for Mrs. W. B. Holmes, who will leave at the end of the week for Kingston, Ontario, to join Commander Holmes. Covers were laid for ten at a table gay with poinsettias and holly and lighted with red candles.

Capt. and Mrs. C. D. Neroutsos, Joan Crescent, have with them for the Christmas holidays their grandsons, Masters George and John Neroutsos of Montreal, who have been visiting their maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Winter of Vancouver. Mr. Teddy Blenkinsop of Vancouver will also be the guest of his grandparents, Capt. and Mrs. C. D. Neroutsos, for Christmas.

Among Victoria students at the University of British Columbia who have arrived to spend the holidays at their respective homes are Mr. George Dunlop, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Dunlop, Lansdowne Road; Miss Barbara Winslow, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Winslow, Craigdarroch Road; Miss Ray Adamson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Adamson, Beach Drive, and Mr. Alan Hudson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hudson, Moss Street.

Mrs. Lee Wright, 1527 Cold Harbor Road, entertained at a delightful little party yesterday afternoon for Oliver Peter St. John, 22-months-old son of Lieut. Col. and Mrs. F. O. St. John. The little guest of honor sat at the head of the prettily decorated tea-table, and later led the other little guests to the drawing-room where he enacted the role of Santa Claus and presented gifts from the illuminated Christmas tree. Others invited were Nigel and Jill, children of Dr. and Mrs. R. Scott-Moncrieff; Donald, little son of Major and Mrs. H. L. Sherwood, and Heather Hughes, granddaughter of Brig.-Gen. and Mrs. H. T. Hughes.

Mr. Jack Gioima of Vancouver will arrive at the week-end to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Gioima, Olympia Avenue.

Miss June McAllister, who has been teaching on the staff of the public school at Enderby, is spending her Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. McAllister, Cambridge Street.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Goldsmith of Powell River and their little daughter are guests of Mr. Goldsmith's mother, Mrs. R. C. Andrews, Selkirk Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Harris of Seattle, and Miss Munroe of Seattle, will arrive on Saturday to be with Mr. Harris' parents, Captain and Mrs. C. I. Harris, Simcoe Street, for Christmas.

Mr. Donald Stewart of the staff of the Royal Bank at Stevenson will be the guest of his father, Mr. Harry Stewart, and Mrs. Stewart, Simcoe Street, over the Christmas season.

Mrs. J. W. Benning, Rockland Avenue, has as her guest Mrs. W. E. Frick of Sewickley, Penn., who arrived yesterday to spend the festive season with Mrs. Benning.

Mr. Edgar Dickson of the staff of the Canadian Bank of Commerce at Alberni will spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. J. E. B. Dickson, and while here will be resident at the Glenisland Hotel.

Mr. Graham McCall, who teaches school in the Qualicum district, arrived home last Friday to spend the holiday season at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. McCall, 3367 Linwood Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Justin Gilbert, Douglas Street, will have with them for the festive seasons their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Walton Gilbert of Los Angeles and their daughter, Miss Justine Gilbert of Los Angeles, who will arrive in Victoria on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. McCall, 3367 Linwood Avenue, left last night for Winnipeg to spend Christmas with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Holdridge. Mr. and Mrs. McCall will spend a few days in Calgary with Mrs. McCall's sister, Mrs. F. D. Birmingham, en route.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crofton, Ganges, who will arrive on December 28 to make their home on Burdett Avenue, entertained nearly a hundred of their Salt Spring Island friends at a farewell party, given by them recently at Harbor House. In the hall of the hotel, arranged with chrysanthemums and masses of holly, the hosts received their guests. Tea was served in the sunroom and dining-room at small tables, which looked most attractive and were decorated with bronze and yellow chrysanthemums.

Mrs. H. M. Bell entertained at the tea hour on Sunday afternoon at the Empress Hotel for her daughter, Miss Alice Bell, who is to be married this month to Mr. John M. Mooney. Tea was served from a lace-covered table centred with cream chrysanthemums and narcissi and cream candles in silver holders. The tea and coffee were poured by Mrs. D. McDonald and Mrs. R. Pierson, while Misses Ethel Bale,

### Open House at Y Christmas Day

Christmas Dinner and Party Saturday For Lonely Women

The Y.W.C.A. will keep "Open House" on Christmas Day. All afternoon and evening cheery rooms will be open for those who wish to meet friends, to read or write or listen to radio music.

Dinner will be served at 1.30 o'clock, for which tables may be reserved as late as Friday, December 22.

### FOR LONELY WOMEN

The "Y" will again hold a Christmas dinner and party on Saturday evening at 6 for women alone in Victoria and unable to spend the festive season with relatives and friends.

The social committee and the house committee, under the convener'ship of Mrs. John Baxter and Mrs. A. C. Brand, respectively, are responsible for the decorations, the tree with its gifts, and dinner and program, which is to include carol singing, movies and gifts from Santa Claus.

Invitations have already been issued to 200 guests for this Christmas gathering on Saturday, and no effort is being spared to make the party an outstanding success. Names for this party may be left at the Y.W.C.A. as late as Thursday.

Gertrude Hodge, Margery Gratton and Inez Mitchell served. Those present were: Mesdames Kaye Lamb, Arthur Cree, Percy Watson, T. B. Monk, John Cieri, S. W. Mackintosh, A. J. Robert, T. E. Marriner, D. McDonald, R. Pierson, McPherson, and Misses Harriet O'Brien, Margery Holmes, Madge Wolfenden, Inez Mitchell, Gladys Hutchinson, Katherine Atherton, Gertrude Hodge, Ethel Bale, Jean Porter, Isabel Routledge, Joan Branley, Mary Harvey and Margery Gratton.

Mr. Alistair Fraser Jr., son of Mr. Alistair Fraser of Montreal, has arrived from Shawinigan Lake School, where he is a student, and is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Mayhew, Beach Drive. His aunts, Mrs. W. G. Wilson and Miss Sadie Fraser, will arrive from Calgary on Friday and will take up residence at the Sussex Apartments for the holiday season, where they will be joined on Tuesday next by Rev. W. G. Wilson, D.D.

Miss Peggy Fisher and Mr. Thomas Jones who are to be married next month were guests of honor recently at a kitchen shower given by Mrs. M. M. M.

H. Smith and their sons, Hubert and Harold. A novel idea was the presentation of the gifts, all kitchen utensils, which were placed in a model steamer named the "Princess Peggy." The bridegroom-to-be is employed on the Princess Marguerite. A corsage of pink carnations was presented to Miss Fisher. A buffet supper was served and an evening of dancing was enjoyed by the guests which included: Mrs. Fisher, Mrs. Rainford, Mrs. O. L. Jull, Mrs. C. Perry, Mrs. Prendergast, the Misses Muriel Prendergast, Dorothy Richdale, Dorothy Bruce, Peggy Fisher, Marian Jull, Edith Frane, Mary Rainford, Elsie George, Margaret George, Audrey Meadmore, Grace Giles, Winnie Tapping, Jessie Pollock, Goldie Griest, the Misses Perry, and Messrs. Jim Prendergast, George Richdale, Tom Jones, Donald Fisher, Tom Perry, Bill Meadmore, Douglas George, Ray Porter, Alec Merriman, Owen Jull, Hubert Smith, Harold Smith, John Rainford, Albert Playfair, Charlie Martin and Frank Rainford.

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LONDON (CP)—Working almost as hard as any British military leader to help win the war is Lady Mariot Ysobel Ironside, middle-aged, grey-haired wife of "Big Bill" General Sir Edmund Ironside, 59-year-old chief of Britain's Imperial General Staff. Since Ironside was called back to Britain last July from the comparative retirement of Gibraltar, where he was governor of that small but important British territory, Lady Ironside has seen her husband only five times.

"He literally lives at the War Office," she said. General Ironside swapped jobs with "Tiger" Gort, the 53-year-old Viscount who is commanding the British Expeditionary Force in France. Ironside relinquished his post as director-general of the overseas forces to succeed Gort as chief of staff.

As professional head of the British army, Ironside is responsible for the training and shipment of troops to the fronts.

In a tiny village in the wilds of Norfolk, on Britain's east coast, Lady Ironside virtually is commander-in-chief of the local home front.

Lady Ironside, local billeting officer, is responsible for the welfare of the 80 mothers and children evacuated from big cities.

One of the many self-imposed wartime tasks of this grey-eyed woman is keeping the evacuees happy. And it's no mean job to make entertainment in an isolated village for women and children born and bred to the excitement and amusements of town life.

In addition to serving on every village committee, Lady Ironside has turned her cottage into a Red Cross first aid post and has organized an anti-gas training course for the village. She also is learning to drive an ambulance.

Lady Ironside tries to visit London once a week to attend meetings of various civic bodies.

"There is always a chance I shall be able to see my husband," she said. "But I have to spend a lot of time at the cottage; you see it must be always ready in case any of the family are able to get down."

"The family" is 22-year-old Elsieph—she answers to "Jane"—who is a general's chauffeur in England, and Edmund, 15, now at his father's old school at Tonbridge, Kent. Edmund, of course, plans to enter the army.

**Elect Year's Officers**

The Christmas meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of Metropolitan United Church was held in the school room yesterday afternoon, with Mrs. W. H. Muncy presiding. Mrs. George Guy conducted the devotional period. Mrs. G. D. Christie, who took the chair to receive the report of the nominating committee, and Mrs. A. C. Farrel voiced appreciation of the work of the officers during the past year. Miss Braik, convener of the nominating committee, brought in the following slate of officers, who were elected: Honorary president, Mrs. A. E. Whitehouse; president, Mrs. W. H. Muncy; first vice-president, Mrs. Akhurst; second vice-president, Mrs. A. Sullivan; third vice-president, Mrs. A. Daniels; fourth vice-president, Mrs. F. T. Cliff; recording secretary, Miss Grace Baker; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Vallis; treasurer, Miss E. Harte; finance and Christian stewardship, Mrs. G. Wharton; supply secretary, Mrs. W. H. Whiteley; associate helpers, Mrs. J. H. Kent; temperance secretary, Mrs. J. N. Holland; social convener, Mrs. R. J. Crozier Smith; community friendship, Mrs. W. J. Cul-Runions; literary secretary, Mrs. W. L. Smith; magazine and roll call, Miss Hudson; pianist, Miss A. Ede; C.G.I.T. counsellor, Mrs. A. J. Daniels; mission circle, Miss H. Sargent; mission band, Mrs. A. Dowell; auditor, Mrs. G. D. Christie. Delegates to the Presbytery in January are: Mrs. W. L. Smith and Mrs. W. H. Whiteley.

A Christmas ceremony, "Jesus, the Light of the World," was presented by Mrs. E. O. McGinnis, assisted by Mrs. Whitehouse, Miss Maureen Whitehouse and little Kuzume Nagao, from the Oriental Kindergarten. Two Christmas hymns were sung by Miss Mavis Yuani and Miss Ahideko Omisha, accompanied by Miss Misako Hamaguchi of the Oriental Home. Miss Wilma Gardner gave a reading, "Why the Chimes Rang." At the conclusion of the program Rev. A. E. Whitehouse conducted the induction service of the officers.



For days past the Solarium has been in the throes of preparation for the annual Christmas tree and entertainment to be held tomorrow afternoon, when His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Hamber will be among the big audience expected. On Sunday members of the Junior League went up and helped decorate, and in the top picture the Misses Vivian Pennock and Helen Eve and Mrs. P. H. Brown are shown decorating the giant tree, while Mr. P. H. Brown, convener of the decorating committee, and Miss Norma Carlson look on. Below, Mrs. "Chuck" Chapman, left, and Miss Nan Hutton show some of the toys to two tiny patients while a nurse looks on.

**ORGANIZE SPORTS FOR ARMY, NAVY**

Delegates from every major sports organization in the city of Victoria met last night in the Metropolitan Building to discuss the establishment of active sports in the auxiliary services and the active forces stationed in Greater Victoria.

Representatives from the army, navy, Y.M.C.A. and other civilian athletic organizations discussed the possibilities of the organization of teams in the services.

Civilian organizations were asked to find ways of obtaining athletic equipment for the men. The provincial government, in an effort to encourage athletics among the soldiers and sailors here, have offered office space in the Parliament Buildings for the use of a central committee, whose duties will be to organize and supervise sports in the service.

The immediate requirements of the men is for this equipment, and until it can be obtained each unit will have to organize its own sporting activities with what materials are already on hand.

A nominating committee was appointed by those present for the purpose of choosing men most suitable to carry on this work. The committee consists of the following: A. McKinnon, P. Mulcahy, J. Ruttan, H. Whittier and P. Shrimpton.

Alderman W. H. Davies was in the chair.

**SALT SPRING ISLAND**

Pupils of the North End School, principal, John McLaughlin, enjoyed a merry afternoon of games and presentation of gifts from a gaily-decorated Christmas tree, followed by a supper. A similar program was held at the Divide School, where parents and friends gathered to add to the enjoyment of the youngsters.

The Ganges senior and junior schools had an enjoyable time in the Mahon Hall, supervised by the principal, Mr. Dickson, and assistant teacher, Miss E. Mohrman. Games and contests were entered into and a parody on "Major Bowes Amateur Hour" caused much fun. Those taking part were Michael Abbott, Peggy Mout, June Roberts, Deck Hamilton, Wilfred Roberts and others. The arrival of Santa Claus, who distributed gifts from the Christmas tree, preceded the sit-down supper.

Miss Jean Mout, principal of North Vesuvius School, and her scholars held a party in the schoolroom, which was prettily decorated.

**Clubwomen's News**

Victoria Lodge No. 83, Daughters of St. George, will meet in the S.O.E. Hall, Broad Street, Wednesday at 7 p.m. The concert and Christmas party will commence at 8.15 p.m. Those members who have received tickets for friends, please phone G 7073 for same to Mrs. A. Harris.

Carnie Rebekah Lodge No. 45, I.O.O.F., will hold their Christmas party after the regular meeting at 7.30 on Thursday next in the Oddfellows' Hall, Douglas Street. The party is for members and friends and each person is expected to bring a small gift. Refreshments will be served.

The Ladies' Guild of Centennial Church met at the home of Mrs. J. Cox, Field Apartments, recently, the president, Mrs. W. McCague, in the chair. Mrs. H. G. Hambleton opened the meeting with prayer. The treasurer's report by Mrs. H. Harris, showed an increase over last year. The reports from the circles had also showed a good increase. The following officers were elected: Honorary president, Mrs. A. D. Reid; president, Mrs. W. McCague; secretary, Mrs. J. Jefferies; treasurer, Mrs. H. Harris; social committee, Mesdames J. Cox, T. Almond and M. McIvor. The leaders of the circles are: Quadra, Mrs. E. McCaug; Busy Bee, Mrs. A. Corry; Gorge, Mrs. H. Harris. Mrs. Middleton entertained the ladies at tea, assisted by Miss E. Middleton.

The Pas-a-Pas Club of the First United Church held its Christmas meeting on Friday evening at the home of Mrs. A. M. Paterson, 62 Wellington Avenue, with the president, Mrs. W. Wilson, in the chair. Mrs. A. Geddes opened the meeting, reading from the study book. Reports were given by the officers, showing a most successful year. Plans were made for the distribution of funds and Christmas hampers, after which the election of officers took place, resulting as follows: Honorary president, Mrs. R. W. Mayhew; leader, Mrs. A. S. Christie; president, Miss Margaret Thomson; vice-president, Mrs. W. McGregor; secretary, Mrs. M. Tucker; treasurer, Miss Helen Atack; missionary, Miss Mary Larsen; sick, Mrs. A. Patterson; press, Miss F. McDougall; social, Miss May Warnock. A social hour was then enjoyed, gifts being distributed from a prettily-decorated tree. The president thanked the

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officers and members of the club for their support during the past year. Refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Misses Laura Tebo, E. Venn, Georgina McKay and Mrs. M. Tucker. The next meeting will be held in January at the home of Mrs. W. Wilson, Green Street.

The annual meeting of the First United Church W.M.S. was held in the schoolroom yesterday afternoon, Mrs. R. W. Mayhew, the president, in the chair. Mrs. J. H. Schroeder read the secretary's report, and the president suggested that Christmas greetings be sent to absent members. Mrs. Ernest McGinnis led the Christmas devotional period, the theme being "The Light of the World." She was assisted by Miss Carol Menzies, singing the solo part. Mrs. James Fletcher gave the readings and a little Japanese girl held the lighted candle. A life membership certificate was presented to Mrs. C. Borup, a returned missionary from India, Mrs. Fletcher making the presentation. Mrs. Ruth Wilson led the singing of Christmas carols. Mrs. Hugh McLeod gave a resume of a chapter of the study book, describing the Matras Conference in 1938. Mrs. Earl led in a brief birthday greeting celebration. Reports of the secretaries were adopted and the year's work outlined by Mrs. Mayhew. Mrs. Macfarlane read the report of the nominating committee. The Mizpah benediction brought the meeting to a close.

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Soft, downy pure wool Blankets for baby's crib. White, rose or blue. Size 36x50. Each. 2.75

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In stripes or plain shades, with matching ties. Size 4, 4-6. Each. 89c

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Manish little trousers for tiny tots. Well-made and action lined. Brown, grey, navy . . . sizes 4, 4-6. Pair. 1.00

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Candlesticks, Cake Plates, Flower Bows, Cheese and Cracker Plates, Serving Trays, Casseroles, Comports, etc.

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English Salad Bowls with server, Sugar and Cream Sets on tray, covered Relish Dishes, Water Pitchers, etc.



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# Terror as Red Bombs Rain on Finland



Incendiary bombs from Soviet planes made a fiery shambles of whole blocks in the Finnish capital of Helsinki. Above, terror-stricken civilians run and stumble past the ruins of bomb-shattered buildings during an air raid.



Dazed and driven, a woman of Helsinki, Finland, flees through debris-strewn streets during a Soviet bombing raid on the Finnish capital. An auto blazes in the background.



Jammed tightly against a wall in long rows, civilians of Helsinki, Finland, seek to escape Soviet bombs and flying splinters during a Red raid on the Finnish capital.



**MAY SOON REACH WESTERN FRONT**—Native troops in French West Africa being rapidly whipped into shape for the rigors of real warfare and may soon be seen in action in France. Top picture shows the native riflemen doing the "dance of the sabres" as part of their war drills. Lower picture shows them with small donkeys loaded with portable arms.



**A NEW DEFENCE AGAINST RAIDERS**—These gunners are shown testing one of British's defences against Nazi aircraft, a high-angle machine designed for use against low-flying planes. They are firing it at a proving-range on a beach somewhere in England.



**A COUPLE OF EXPERIMENTS**—Like other types of weapons, guns are constantly being made "bigger and better than ever." These pictures were taken at an experimental establishment somewhere in England, which the War Office recently turned over to the Ministry of Supply. The subjects of this particular experiment are 15-inch guns, of a type commonly used for coast defence. The gunner, in the lower picture, is shown forcing part of the charge into the cavernous breach of one of the titanic weapons.



**A BULL IN A CHINA SHOP**—You've been hearing about it all your life, and here it is—a bull in a china shop. Chap in the high hat is Fred Waring, popular band leader. He's supposed to be paying a bet by leading a sure 'nough 1,000-pound bull through a New York shop. All went well until the bull's swaying hips clipped a table and demolished about \$25 worth of crockery.



**PICNIC BEHIND THE LINES**—Heedless of shot or shell, these French soldiers are enjoying their meal, picnic-fashion, near the front lines somewhere in France. Approved by the Allied censors, the picture indicates that life behind the Maginot Line is not too uncomfortable.



**NAZI 'PRISONERS OF WAR' AT BRITISH PORT**—That Germany does not have a monopoly of war-time commerce raiding is indicated by the above photo, one of the first pictures of Nazi ships captured by the Royal Navy. Interned in a British port, the prizes are the collier Bianca (left) and the grain carrier Gloria.



**SAVED FROM THE SEAS**—Mrs. Sarah Schenk, 65, is saved by U.S. coastguardsmen in a dramatic rescue at West Meadow Beach, Long Island, N.Y., after gale struck north Atlantic coast. Coast-guardman picked up Mrs. Schenk and four men from flotilla of barges, brought them to shore in a dory.



## Major Hockey

## Toronto Will Meet Boston

## Sports Mirror

By PETE SALLAWAY

BRITISH COLUMBIA BASKETBALL Association, through its president, Mert Gordon, announces it is through with the Victoria Dominos. Which means the Victoria holders of the Canadian championship are out of organized basketball for this season at least. It also means the national title will go undefended by the local squad. Nice state of affairs when a local Canadian championship goes overboard just because two parties cannot get together over a playing floor. After all, that started the whole trouble.

In making his announcement Gordon went on to say the B.C. association plans no action to try and prevent the Dominos from playing exhibition games with clubs of the Seattle Community League. That seems a strange remark after what various members of the provincial executive had to say at the recent joint meeting of the island and B.C. moguls at Nanaimo. From remarks heard at that session it was the intention to stop the Dominos from playing all games.

Least of all worried about the entire situation appear to be those interested—the Dominos. Both officials of the club and the players are taking the entire matter with no great weight on their shoulders. Talked to majority of the players Saturday night in the dressing room, prior to the game with Seattle Cammarano, and they told us it didn't matter to them which way matters went. The Dominos players appreciate being on their own and appear to be getting all the basketball they wish in the games with Seattle clubs. Suspension from organized basketball and the loss of a chance to win another B.C. and Canadian championship does not bother them as much as one would imagine.

If the B.C. association lives up to its decision and closes the books on the Dominos and the Victoria situation it will bring a welcome end to a lengthy squabble. The Dominos will go ahead and arrange an extensive program of exhibition games that assures local fans of seeing some of the finest basketball outfits on the continent in action. January and February will mean an active campaign, with a number of week-end double-headers. The Victoria and District League will continue to stage its games in the Y.M.C.A. and suburban halls, although a little bird brought us the news today the league has high hopes of securing use of the High School gym early in the New Year.

Grim Reaper is again reaching out his hands for one of the finest women athletes ever developed on this continent. After having come through a gallant fight with the grim chap when she suffered a serious attack of poliomyelitis which left her partly paralyzed for months, Georgia Coleman, former Olympic diving champion, is engaged in another battle for her life. Displaying the same courage that carried her so far in the world of athletics, Georgia overcame her partial paralysis by various forms of exercise, combined with a fighting spirit that knows no bounds.

After her recovery Georgia was pointed out by experts as one who had beaten the dread disease, and she obtained a job in the east working with youngsters suffering from infantile paralysis in an effort to help them with the knowledge she had obtained through her own recovery. Now Miss Coleman lies near death in a Hollywood hospital, suffering from a liver ailment. Blood transfusions have been necessary to an effort to prepare her for an operation which doctors hope will save her life. Her fight for life has been a game one and we, along with the thousands of her admirers and friends, hope Georgia will come through on top.

Trailing teams of the National Hockey League will step aside tonight while the first four clubs in the standing engage in two of the most important combats of the season to date.

Toronto Maple Leafs, leading the league by two points over Boston, will tackle the Bruins in Boston, while New York Rangers strive to hold their place at home against Montreal Canadiens, who trail them by only one point.

In the Leafs' first invasion of Boston, this season, the world champion Bruins whipped them 6 to 2. Tonight Wally Stanowski, sensational rookie injured early in the campaign, will return to the Toronto line-up. At the same time it is rumored Eddie Shore, defensive backbone of the Bruins, will be missing again because of his business obligations in Springfield, Mass.

The Rangers, after going eight games without a defeat, can step into a tie for second position if the Bruins lost to Toronto. But the Canadiens, smarting from a 4 to 2 defeat they accepted from the Rangers at Montreal Saturday, will be gunning to return to their early winning ways after losing three of their last four games.

Chicago, Detroit and New York Americans will be idle.

## SCORING RACE

Gordon Drillon of Leafs gaining four points in a week's play, strengthened his position at the top of the scoring ranks, official statistics showed last night.

He now has 18 points, two more than his teammate, Syl Apps. Hector "Toe" Blake of Montreal Canadiens, a point behind Drillon a week ago, is in third place with 15 points.

Scoring statistics follow:

Player	G	A	Pt.
Drillon, Toronto	12	6	18
Apps, Toronto	12	6	16
Blake, Canadiens	11	4	15
Arundson, Amer.	8	6	12
Davidson, Toronto	3	9	12
Sand, Canadiens	3	9	12
Dillon, Detroit	3	9	12
Geoffie, Canadiens	6	4	10
Cain, Boston	4	6	10
Anderson, Amer.	4	6	10
Mantha, Canadiens	2	8	10
Hettich, Rangers	2	8	10
Wissman, Amer.	3	7	10
C. Conacher, Amer.	3	7	10
N. Colville, Rangers	3	7	10
Shibukley, Rangers	3	6	9
Hors, Detroit	3	6	9
Schmidt, Boston	3	6	9
March, Chicago	3	6	9
E. Conacher, Boston	3	6	9
Barry, Canadiens	2	7	9
Dalstrom, Chicago	2	7	9
Drewish, Canadiens	2	7	9
DeWalt, Canadiens	2	7	9
A. Jackson, Boston	2	7	9
Gettling, Chicago	2	7	9
Haynes, Canadiens	2	7	9
Cowley, Boston	2	6	8
Clapper, Boston	2	6	8

## Masters Golf to Attract Stars

NEW YORK (AP)—The tournament committee of the Augusta Masters golf tournament yesterday announced the names of 84 players who have been invited to compete in the 1940 tourney at the Augusta (Ga.) National Golf Club April 4 to 7.

Headed by U.S. open champion Byron Nelson, P.G.A. champion Henry Picard, amateur champion Marvin Ward of Spokane, and Ralph Guldahl, 1939 Masters winner, the group includes 13 players who were not on the last invitation list but who qualified. Made eligible by finishing among the first 30 in the 1939 open were Johnny Bulla of Chicago, Sam Byrd of Philadelphia, Clayton Heafner of Charlotte, N.C.; Matt Kowal of Philmont, Pa.; amateur Wilford Wehrle of Racine, Wis.; E. J. (Dutch) Harrison of Oak Park, Ill., and Ed Oliver of Hornell, N.Y.

Eligible as 1939 U.S. amateur quarter finalists are Don Schumacher of Dallas, Harry Givan of Seattle, Art Doering of Chicago and George Dawson of Glen Ellyn, Ill. P.G.A. quarterfinalists added to the list are Red Munday of White Plains, N.Y., and Emerick Kocsis of Orion, Mich. Four other players will be added to the field later this winter.

## BOXING

CHICAGO — Joe Sutka, 159, Wyandotte, Mich., knocked out Paul Pirrone, 163, Cleveland (4).

BALTIMORE—Frankie Terranova, 141, New York, and Jackie Sharkey, 138½, New York, drew (10).

QUEBEC — Paul Junior, 139, Lewiston, Me., knocked out Leo Gales, 146, Boston (3).

WILMINGTON, Del. — Jim London, 202, Greece, threw Rudy Dusek, 218, Omaha, 26:11.

## Veteran Grove Tops Averages

CHICAGO (AP)—Age and experience gave youth a lively fight for two laurels during the 1939 American League battle for pitching honors, the official averages showed today.

The hurling statistics once again prominently displayed the name of that great southpaw, Robert Moses Grove of Boston Red Sox, whose earned run average of 2.54 in 23 games was tops for the campaign among regulars. Close to him was another veteran, Teddy Lyons of Chicago, who pitched brilliantly in a season which saw such younger stars as Bob Feller of Cleveland and Marius Russo and Steve Sundra of New York all turn in fine performance on the hill.

Grove, winning 15 games and losing only four, was fourth among all pitchers in the won-lost column with an average of .789. Lyons had a great year, winning 14 and losing six for an earned run average of 2.76.

## SUNDRA DOES WELL

Russo's earned run average was 2.41, but he was not a regular hurler. He won eight games and lost three, appearing in 21 contests. Sundra, winning 11 and losing only one game, and that in his final appearance of the year, had an earned run mark of 2.75. His 11 wins and one defeat won him No. 1 ranking in the percentage column.

Feller grabbed a big portion of the honors. His victory total of 24 games was high for the circuit. He lost nine contests. He had an earned run mark of 2.85 for fifth place in that department and again led in strikeouts, fanning 246 batsmen.

Red Ruffing of New York won 21 games and lost seven, while the other two 20-game winners were Washington's Emil Leonard, with 20 wins and eight lost, and Buck Newsom of St. Louis and Detroit, with 20 victories and 11 defeats.

## Six Cage Tilts In City League

Two nights of basketball will be staged by the Victoria and District Basketball League this week, with games scheduled for tomorrow night in the Saanich Agricultural Hall and in the Esquimalt Athletic Association Hall Friday night.

Opening tomorrow night's program at 7:30 will be a battle between Eight Aces and Northwest Dairy, intermediate-A boys' teams. Following this game Adverts and Cardinals, women's quintettes, will meet. The night will be topped off with a senior B engagement between Champion and White and Wimpy's Crescents.

Friday's show in Esquimalt Hall will be opened by Sunday School League teams, Y.M.C.A. and Fairfield. Garrison and Commercial Bruisers will trot onto the floor for the second tilt and Deals and Chinese Students, senior B men's squads, will battle in the main attraction.

Miss K. Butler led Sidney girls to a 42 to 34 victory over Bob Whyte's Bookies last night in a Suburban League tilt in the Saanichton Agricultural Hall when she accounted for 23 of her team's total points. Sidney had a 20 to 18 lead at the half.

Teams and scores follow: Sidney—G. King 8, L. Campbell, K. Primeau, K. Butler 23, J. Thomas 6, N. Hoare. Rookies—E. Hutchings 10, P. Lea, G. Levin, A. Milliken 8, F. Butters, M. Kennedy 14, P. Clarke and M. Di Loria 2.

## Racino Results

PAIR GROUNDS—Results of horse racing here yesterday follow:  
First race—Six furlongs:  
Drop (G. Gros) ..... \$10.00 \$2.40 \$4.50  
Rickey (H. Miller) ..... 8.20 4.40  
Sun Antioch (Taylor) ..... 2.00  
Time, 1:13 1-8. Also ran: Nim, Spanish Beauty, Camb. Family Friend, My, Gracious, Powder Box, Merry Saxon.  
Second race—Mile and 70 yards:  
Tonkawa (Millen) ..... \$5.00 \$2.50 \$2.20  
Lady Arlington (Sargent) ..... 3.00 3.20  
Matchless (Gibson) ..... 1.00  
Time, 1:46 4-5. Also ran: Fair Beck, Camrose, Second Bid, Horn Spring, Parade Leader, Tangle, Lady Jean, Ouchita, Michellinda.  
Third race—Six furlongs:  
Hypo (Conner) ..... \$8.00 \$4.20 \$2.50  
Buttina B. (Trahan) ..... 6.00 3.20  
New Blue (Clegg) ..... 2.00  
Time, 1:17 3-4. Also ran: Lanford, P. L. L., Utterville, Sir Stamp, King June, Quilt, Raymond, Mira Bana, Blind Star.  
Fourth race—Mile and 70 yards:  
Molasses Bill (Taylor) ..... \$10.00 \$2.00 \$2.40  
Cricket (Lowe) ..... 4.00 4.40  
Panfun (G. Gros) ..... 2.00  
Time, 1:47 4-5. Also ran: Stella Mc, Ring, Safe and Sound, Rows Crump, Pal o' Suede.  
Fifth race—Six furlongs:  
Mascot (Taylor) ..... \$2.50 \$4.00 \$2.00  
Deepdene (Gill) ..... 9.20 4.80  
Buce Tramp (Sawback) ..... 2.00  
Time, 1:13 4-5. Also ran: Knoxville, Shining Sun, Snaplock, Granstark, My Lawyer, Jay D. Base.  
Sixth race—Mile and 70 yards:  
St. Morris (Seurlock) ..... \$7.00 \$4.00 \$2.40  
Bisont (Bark) ..... 6.00 3.20  
Vodolite (Friedman) ..... 2.00  
Time, 1:44 4-5. Also ran: Waringo, Sherry B. Galloway, Panalong, B. L. L., Hurd's Pick, Three Samps.  
Seventh race—Mile and 70 yards:  
Out of Fire (Green) ..... \$10.00 \$2.00 \$2.40  
Vontell (Hiden) ..... 4.00 4.20  
Time, 1:44 4-5. Also ran: Spartan Lady, Haverly, Red, Sunline, Carvish, L. L. L., Lenz Count, Rehtars.

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DEAD TO THE PIN—Johnny Murphy, ace relief pitcher for New York Yankees, is almost obscured from view as he blasts out of sandtrap at St. Petersburg, Fla. Looking on with admiration and dismay is teammate George Selkirk, who follows flight of ball as it goes dead to pin.

## Horse Racing

## Biscuit Draws 130

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Seabiscuit, training for a turf comeback and a fourth crack at the \$100,000 Santa Anita Handicap, was assigned top weight of 130 pounds in imposts announced yesterday for the big race March 2.

Weighted just behind was the ex-stake champion's stablemate of the Charles S. Howard string, Kayak II, at 129 pounds, and next came W. L. Brann's Challeon, pride of Maryland, at 128.

Other candidates and their weight assignments included Cravat 122, Dauber 120, Sun Lover 119, Ra II, South American importation, 118, and Specity 116, but attention was centered on the "big three" nominees of the race, Seabiscuit, Kayak II and Challeon.

Challeon defeated Kayak II in the Pimlico Special this year, but the Howard horse, winner of the 1939 Santa Anita Handicap, gave away six pounds that day, carrying 126 pounds to Challeon's 120. The imposts handed

out for the Santa Anita are regulation scale weights for March, 1940, for the soon-to-be five-year-old Kayak and four-year-old Challeon.

## WENT LAME

Seabiscuit went lame last February and did not go postward in the Santa Anita. He had been assigned 134 pounds. Kayak won, with 110 pounds aboard. Whether Seabiscuit will get up to the race remains to be seen.

No official word has been received from Brann as to whether he will send Challeon, voted the outstanding 3-year-old of 1939, to Santa Anita or Florida. Santa Anita opens its sixth meeting December 30.

Weights announced for the mile and one-quarter event by racing secretary Webb Everitt included: 114 Whichever; 109 Indian Sahara; 102 Jeff's Pride; 100 Bahra Chief.

A. B. Tarn's Diavolo Cliff and Fair Stein were given 101 pounds each.

## Former Champ On Mat Card

Victoria followers of the wrestling fraternity will have an opportunity Saturday night to see a former heavyweight champion in action when Dave Levin, Boston, steps into the ring against George Wilson, who won fame as a footballer with the University of Washington.

Levin, who is advertised as the former Boston "butcher boy," held the world title until a mysterious ailment put him out of the game and almost took his life. Levin won the crown from All Baba. In recent weeks Levin has been working against top-notch opponents in California and has satisfied himself he is ready to campaign again for the title.

Wilson made his first appearance here last week when he used his most effective weapon, the flying tackle, to finish off the tough and rugged Lee Henning.

This will be one half of the double main event to be presented by promoter Rocky Brooks. Each bout will be over six 10-minute rounds.

Brooks will leave for Vancouver to arrange the rest of his card. He will referee the bouts on the mainland Thursday night, wrestle in Seattle Friday and return here Saturday.

## RUGBY MATCHES

Two days of action are in store for Wally Stipe's J.B.A.A. intermediate rugburs next week. On Boxing Day the Bays will oppose Oak Bay Wanderers in a preliminary to the Victoria-Vancouver McKechnie Cup game at Macdonald Park. On Saturday, December 30, they will oppose Victoria College.

Senior aggregations will be idle until December 30, when Army will oppose Oak Bay Wanderers at Macdonald Park.

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Bisont (Bark) ..... 6.00 3.20  
Vodolite (Friedman) ..... 2.00  
Time, 1:44 4-5. Also ran: Waringo, Sherry B. Galloway, Panalong, B. L. L., Hurd's Pick, Three Samps.  
Seventh race—Mile and 70 yards:  
Out of Fire (Green) ..... \$10.00 \$2.00 \$2.40  
Vontell (Hiden) ..... 4.00 4.20  
Time, 1:44 4-5. Also ran: Spartan Lady, Haverly, Red, Sunline, Carvish, L. L. L., Lenz Count, Rehtars.

## Vancouver Fighter Coast Golden Gloves Champion

## Grads to Meet Rochester Club

EDMONTON (CP)—Ruffled by claims of Rochester (N.Y.) Filiarets to world supremacy in women's basketball, Coach J. Percy Page of Edmonton Grads initiated plans yesterday to bring the United States team here for a series despite the fact a financial beating is certain for Grads.

The usually calm and quiet coach whose successive quintets have ruled women's basketball since 1923 became angry when Filiarets, coached by Roy van Graflan, who umpires in the International Baseball League, began advertising themselves as world champions.

## WILL TAKE LOSS

Although Coach Page will be unable to find a hall with more than 500 seating capacity, he is determined to arrange a winter series and take the financial beating for the satisfaction of settling the "ridiculous" Rochester claims.

Page said that the Federation Sportive Feminine Internationale was the only organization with authority to award a world championship and the F.S.F.I. had named Grads as world titlists following the Olympic Games of 1932 and 1936. Coach Page said the body has not met since 1936 so Rochester could not have been awarded the title.

Grads have held the Canadian championship every year since 1922 that they have competed in the playdowns and have held the Underwood International Challenge Trophy since 1932, when it was donated.

## SOCCER MEETING

A meeting of the Victoria and District Football League will be held tonight in the Colonist board room at 8:30.

## Ken Lindsay Pounds Way U.S. Final

LOS ANGELES (CP)—A blond young 111-pound boxer from Vancouver, Kenny Lindsay, scored an outstanding victory in the Pacific Coast Golden Gloves boxing tournament here last night to carry Canadian colors into the United States national Golden Gloves tournament.

Lindsay, star of the Grandview Athletic Club, pounded out a hard-earned decision over Gregorio Escalona, New Mexico flyweight champion, to capture the coast title as a crowd studded with motion picture and radio celebrities cheered.

Meanwhile, two other British Columbians—Toby Crooks of Vancouver and Eric Burnell of Langley Prairie, B.C.—fought well, but failed to make the grade in semifinal matches.

Lindsay's victory was a double affair. He whipped Escalona and avenged a defeat the Mexican meted out to him a year ago in the tourney.

The lad from south of the border was tired after his semifinal and, even the urging of a famous countrywoman, actress Lupe Velez, could not overcome the speedy left jab and crisp rights of the good-looking Vancouver boy.

## JOLSON PRESENTS MEDAL

It was a rousing battle and both contenders were cheered roundly when actor Al Jolson came into the ring to present Lindsay with the champion's medal.

Among a few of the movie stars sitting in the front row were Harpo and Chico Marx, John Boles, Cliff (Ukelele) Ike Edwards, Tito Guizar and Andy Devine. Yelling from behind one corner was Mickey Rooney.

One of the best crowd-pleasers was the 147-pound battle between Eric Burnell and Bobby McKibben of Los Angeles. Science was strictly banned as these two whaled away. In the first round Eric, curly locks waving, loosed the American into the ropes with a terrific left hook to the head.

McKibben who hitch-hiked his way out here, fought back, but the round went to the Vancouver scrapper.

Burnell tired midway in the

second and walked into a volley of smashes to the head but never backed down. It looked like McKibben's round.

They stood toe-to-toe in the last with McKibben's rough work inside slowing Eric down. The decision was close.

Fatigue also overtook Toby Crooks. He and his dusky 125½-pound opponent from Los Angeles, John Thomas, appeared equal in stature but the negro boy displayed superior stamina and heavier punching ability. Toby was bleeding from a cut eye—suffered at the hands of Vancouver's Bud Walsh in the Pacific Northwest tourney a week ago—and the nose at the finish. He was recorded as cheering hand for gameness as he climbed out of the ring at the end of the first round after Thomas was awarded a technical knockout.

Thomas then went on to score a second technical knockout over Harry Rodriguez, 124, of San Francisco, in the finals.

## FIRST-ROUND KAYO

Burnell's opponent, McKibben, was knocked out by Hal Rasmussen, 141, of Sacramento in the first round in their final encounter.

Tommy Moyer, 134½, Portland, captured the lightweight crown when he punched out a clean-cut decision over Richie Shinn, 133½, of San Francisco.

Among the best looking of the heavier boxers was Ed McKinnon, 163-pound Seattle lad. He scored a technical kayo over Pete Morelli of San Francisco in the semis but faced tougher opposition in the finals against the highly rated Homer McGrew, Los Angeles negro. Despite solid blows by McGrew early in the third, McKinnon took the battle and the title.

Radio comedian Al Pearce presented McKinnon with his medal.

Mike Bernal, 117, San Francisco, handed Joe Robledo, 116½, of Los Angeles, a sound beating to gain the bantamweight honors of the tourney.

## SOCCER MEETING

A meeting of the Esquimalt Football Club will be held tomorrow night at 8 in St. Paul's Church Hall. All members and others interested are asked to attend.

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Third period — 5. Seattle, King, 4.40; 6. Vancouver, Mercer (Wood), 5.46. Penalties: Rimstad, Gilmour.  
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## Murder Hearing Set for Thursday

Next Thursday morning was set as the date for trial of Mrs. Helen A. Anderson and Wallis Parnell Johnson, former Duncan automobile salesman, when they appeared on remand in the City Police Court this morning charged with murder.

The charges resulted from the death of Chiyeko Nagano, 17-year-old Japanese girl, last week.

When the cases were called this morning, C. L. Harrison, city prosecutor, withdrew previous charges against both accused of performing an illegal operation on the girl.

Stuart Henderson appeared for Mrs. Anderson and H. W. Davey for Johnson, the latter indicating he might apply for further adjournment on Thursday although he would proceed if possible.

Mr. Harrison said two doctors and a lawyer from up-island would be among witnesses to be called by the prosecution.

## Ducks Unlimited Get B.C. Help

Attorney-General Gordon Wismer said today his department and the provincial game board has promised full co-operation with Ducks Unlimited in their efforts to preserve wild life.

The Attorney-General in Vancouver yesterday met T. G. Main, general manager of Ducks Unlimited, and discussed proposals for a complete survey of the duck situation in British Columbia.

Ducks Unlimited is a voluntary organization interested in preserving breeding grounds for perpetuating the duck species on the North American continent. It is international in scope, dealing with ducks that breed in the north and fly south into the United States.

Mr. Wismer said their survey will cover lines of flight by migrating ducks, breeding grounds in the north, feeding grounds and water places in the province. It will supplement the work now being done by the provincial game commission.

One proposal is to set aside several duck sanctuaries. But before anything definite is worked out the survey will be made.

"We will lend our fullest co-operation to any satisfactory plan that can be worked out," the Attorney-General commented.

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## Thieves Take Safe and \$400

Thieves overnight entered B. M. Clarke's druggists store, 711 Yates Street, and stole a safe containing about \$400.

Detective Fearon Woodburn investigated and a city police report said entrance was gained through a rear door from an alleyway adjoining the building. The safe removed was a small office type.

## Expect Hundreds Of Cars in Tour

Junior Chamber of Commerce officials today completed arrangements for the caravan tour of the Christmas home-lighting displays in Greater Victoria tomorrow night.

The caravan will assemble on Richmond Avenue, south of Oak Bay Avenue to Chandler Avenue, facing north, and will move off at 7.30. Members of the Victoria Motorcycle Club will patrol the 30-mile route and pilot cars will be placed at intervals in the caravan to keep the train in order. Pilot cars will be identified by green spotlights.

The four judges made a preliminary survey of the entries last night and were high in their praise of some of the more elaborate displays. Their official judging tour will take place tonight.

Following is a list of some of the entries that will be viewed along the route by the public caravan:

Mrs. D. W. Dopp, 1754 Lee Ave.; Mr. C. H. Shanks, 1017 St. Patrick St.; W. H. Leggett, 2001 Beach Drive; R. W. Mayhew, 2551 Beach Drive; Evan Jones, 2358 Hamilton; William Erith, 2727 Richmond; Mr. J. A. Raymond, 1727 Haultain; Mrs. J. P. Vye, 2712 Prior; G. T. Molr, 3401 Cook St.; A. W. Smith, 3392 Conierton Lane; Togo Takahashi, 42 Gorge Rd. W.; C. H. French, 182 Gorge Rd. W.; W. Dealey, 228 Obed Ave.; W. H. Ward, 374 Gorge Rd. W.; W. H. Davies, 610 Coventry; M. J. Little, C. Dallas Rd.; J. G. Hay, 654 Dallas Rd.; C. E. Blaney, Jr., 678 Dallas Rd.; Capt. A. McDonald, 680 Dallas Rd.; D. D. McTavish, 28 Douglas St.; A. Trafford, 1224 Dallas Rd.; Mrs. T. R. Handasyde, 1224 Dallas Rd.; Mrs. G. I. Warren, 1244 Dallas Rd.; Henry Nielsen, 1320 Carnesew; Kenneth Reid, 1336 Carnesew; G. R. W. Nixon, 1370 Richardson St.; J. W. Spencer, Joan Creascent; W. Thatcher, Pemberton Rd.; H. Ensor, 267 Beechwood; James Lomas, 1893 Hollywood Crescent.

## Car Registration Continues Higher

Motor vehicle registration in British Columbia continued its climb towards a new record high for the year during November, according to B.C. Police statistics.

Total registration of passenger and commercial vehicles at the end of last month was 116,658 as compared with 114,420 last year. Included in the current year's total were 93,966 passenger machines and 22,692 commercial vehicles.

## 14 to Face Combine Charges

Prosecutions against five individuals and nine corporations will be launched by the provincial government on evidence produced by the report of F. A. McGregor, Dominion combines officer, who found that a combine had operated on the marketing of Okanagan fruit and vegetables.

Details of the indictments were given out by the Attorney-General's department here today while H. I. Bird, special prosecutor, was in the Okanagan to take charge of books and other documents that will be used in the case.

Two indictments have been drafted as the result of a study of the McGregor report by Mr. Bird. The first accuses four individuals and eight companies with being parties to a combine.

The second deals with conspiracy to give secret rebates and takes in all the defendants.

Those named on the combines' charge are as follows: R. B. Staples, Kelowna, president of Sales Service Ltd.; A. C. Lander, Kelowna, secretary of Sales Service Ltd.; W. P. Riley, Winnipeg, president of Western Grocers Ltd.; Alexander McCallum, Winnipeg, president of Dominion Fruit Co. Ltd.; Lander Co. Ltd., Kelowna; Sales Service Ltd., Kelowna; Keremeos Fruits Ltd.; Browne Co. Ltd., Penticton; Brown Lander Co. Ltd., Vernon; Cascade Fruit Co. Ltd., Kelowna; Western Grocers Ltd., and Dominion Fruit Co. Ltd.

In brief the indictment charges that these people and firms were parties to a combine between January 1, 1936, and December 31, 1938, in the marketing of the fruit and vegetable crop. The combine, it states, was arranged by Western Grocers Ltd. getting control, in whole or in part, of the Lander Co. Ltd., Sales Service Ltd., Keremeos Fruits Ltd., Browne Co. Ltd., Brown Lander Co. Ltd., and Cascade Fruit Co. Ltd. Such a merger, it states, operated, or was likely to operate to the detriment of consumers, producers and others and was contrary to the Combines Investigation Act.

A conviction on this charge provides for a maximum penalty of \$10,000, or two years' imprisonment for individuals, and a maximum of \$25,000 fine for corporations.

On the conspiracy charge, which concerns alleged secret rebates, E. J. Chambers, president of Associated Growers of B.C. Ltd., is added to the list of defendants. His corporation is likewise charged.

Associated Growers, it is stated, handled the marketing of fruit for the co-operative growers who turned out about 40 per cent of the crop.

The indictment charges the defendants with conspiring together to injure and do wrongs to other individuals engaged in the production and sale of fruit and vegetables.

According to present plans the government will seek preliminary hearing of the indictments as soon as possible in the Okanagan with Mr. Bird handling the crown's case.

## Held High Hopes Of Striking Oil

While oil experts from Turner Valley were on their way here today to meet government officials, Premier Pattullo made it plain this morning that the government's oil exploration program next year will be confined to the drilling of a hole on Compton Creek, near Pine River, in the Peace River block.

In reply to questions the Premier made it clear that this hole will be drilled with the firm hope of striking oil. It is not intended purely as a test hole to determine structure. Studies made by the government's engineers have led to the belief that there will be a reasonable chance of striking oil there.

"Of course," said the Premier, "experience of oil companies would show that we would be fairly lucky to strike oil on the first hole. It is a matter of chance, but we have done what can be done to choose the most favorable locality."

Oil men coming here this afternoon will discuss with the government the best methods of conducting the drilling operations. Hon. W. J. Assestine, Minister of Mines, said.

It is expected the contract for drilling will be let shortly. Red Cross headquarters have given permission to the girls of Christ Church Cathedral Auxiliary to sing carols in aid of the funds of the society. The choir will be heard in the districts of Oak Bay Tuesday evening and Gonzales Thursday. It is expected these singers will be generously rewarded for their kindly effort on behalf of Red Cross.

## TOWN TOPICS

The Oaklands Gospel Hall Sunday school will hold its annual entertainment tomorrow at 7 in the auditorium of the Oaklands School.

The Victoria branch of the Red Cross acknowledges receipt of the following donations: Victoria Chapter, O.E.S., \$75.25; North Quadra Home Circle, \$10.50; and Royal Oak Women's Institute, \$5.35.

Tony Pallentieri was convicted on a charge of dangerous driving and fined \$25 in the City Police Court this morning. The charge was the result of a collision between his car and an auto owned by Hubert Savage, at Market and Douglas Streets.

Mrs. H. L. Guest, 1053 Princess Avenue, suffered minor bruises and shock in an accident late yesterday afternoon, at Pandora Avenue and Quadra Street, when she was knocked down by a car, according to a city police report. The report said the driver of the car was David Caird, 27 Boyd Street.

John Frick, hatch tender, was killed over the week-end when he dropped 18 feet into the hold of the Greek freighter Eugenie Livanos while loading at the Chealmus wharf. He was found by fellow longshoremen after he had been missing for several minutes from the hatch. Frick recently married the former Helen Pynn Cook Street. He was 27 years old. He leaves a father in Edmonton, a sister, Mrs. Mary Crutchlow, and a brother, Joe, also in Edmonton.

Three cars were involved in an accident at Douglas Street and Princess Avenue late yesterday afternoon, when they were about to stop for a street car, according to a city police report. Proceeding in a line north on Douglas Street the three collided: the front one stopped behind the street car. Lee Ding, Duncan, driving the last in line, collided with George Brown, Blubber Bay, whose car was pushed into the front machine driven by Mrs. J. G. Hunginger, Cowichan Bay. The Hunginger car was reported most seriously damaged.

In pursuance of the policy laid down by the committee of the Provincial Drama Association, in agreement with the Community Drama Branch of the Education Department, rural communities, as well as the little theatres and guilds are devoting their energies to entertainment of troops and performances in aid of the Red Cross and patriotic organizations.

Reports are beginning to come in with gratifying results, said Major Bullock Webster. The Drama Guild at Golden, B.C., has just turned in \$67 to the Red Cross as a result of its production in the Legion Hall of "The Last Cache" and "The Red Lamp."

## HIKE FOR HEALTH CLUB ORGANIZED

Lovers of the great outdoors of Vancouver Island have formed a "Hike for Health Club," to take advantage of the woodland trails that abound within a few miles of Greater Victoria.

Many Europeans, in Victoria "for the duration," have expressed a desire for organized walking trips into the hills. In their native countries they have been used to taking long hikes and feel they would like to continue such an enjoyable practice in Victoria.

Membership in the club is open to all persons between 16 and 60, provided they have strong boots and stout hearts. Guides will be provided for strangers in the city.

The first organized hike will be on Christmas Eve, when the party will leave the Alpine Club's log cabin at the Lake of the Seven Hills, in the Sooke district, after lunch and return to town by dusk.

President of the new club is Claude Harrison, also president of the Alpine Club. Miss Brenda Stonham is the secretary, and members of the executive are: Fred Maurice, Fred Leighton, Alan Baker, Miss Edith M. Henley and Mrs. Bruce Cash.

## Woman Knocked Down, Injured

Suffering from fracture of both legs and one arm, scalp wounds and shock, Mrs. Robert Hartley, 318 Vancouver Street, was reported resting comfortably in the Jubilee Hospital today following an accident at Douglas and Humboldt Streets in which she received the injuries last night.

A city police report said Mrs. Hartley was struck by a car driven by James W. Bailey, St. James Hotel, while she walked across the intersection in a heavy rain and protecting herself with an umbrella which Bailey told police apparently obscured her vision. She was taken to hospital in the C. & C. ambulance where she was attended by Dr. George Hall.

## Fewer People Chop Own Trees

Hundreds of Victorians journeyed to outlying woods over the week-end to chop their own Christmas trees, but their activities had little effect on the market shared by commercial operators.

In several cases would-be tree choppers came back dissatisfied with their harvest and some, finding the forest wet, declined to penetrate the bush to find choice firs. The majority of the traffic was up-island, since park lands around Mount Douglas, Thetis Lake and other bathing and picnic centres are protected by statute. Certain sections of the Malahat, Shawnigan and even farther north areas were visited.

One commercial tree man declared the demand was about the same as last year.

"The public doesn't change. You ask them 50 cents for a tree and they try to buy it for 45 cents," he remarked. "I enjoyed one sale yesterday, though. A woman came in for a tree and started bargaining until her son reminded her she had used five gallons of gasoline looking for one on Sunday. They don't seem to mind how much they spend on their cars on the way to the woods. But four bits hit them for a tree already selected, cut and placed for sale on this lot."

He had just finished speaking when a customer came in, chose a small tree and asked the price. "Two bits," said the merchant. "Here," said the purchaser, giving him 35 cents.

Most dealers now secure their supplies from up-island farmers, many trucking in loads from points as far off as Duncan. They face decreasing competition from young boys who, lacking transportation, find their selection considerably reduced by the scarcity of trees in nonprotected areas close to town.

It doesn't give the dealer a fortune, but it helps them clean up year-end bills and start the new year square with the board, according to one dealer.

The demand appeared steady today as homeowners proceeded with their decorations. The city, too, speeded its beautifying, improving the appearance of the Public Market with a gaily-decked front door in cedar boughs and holly.

## 'Y' Board Names Representatives

At a meeting of the Y.M.C.A. Board of Directors yesterday afternoon, R. W. Mayhew M.P. and Warren W. Martin were chosen as official representatives to the National Council of the association for 1940.

Reports submitted from the various departments of the association showed an active month for November although attendances were down slightly in comparison with the same month last year.

Badminton and swimming were two of the most popular activities during the month in the physical department. The badminton club had six league matches and three friendly tournaments with outside teams and three socials were held.

The swimming clubs were busy with the promotion of several juniors and a number of midgeets from the classes to the clubs. The senior club held its election of officers. The junior girls' club were entertained by the seniors and the senior club also entertained 75 Normal School students at a social.

Swimming handicaps were commenced weekly and the club was victorious in the Vancouver Island Swimming League gala winning 15 out of 20 events.

A great deal of enthusiasm had been aroused through the commencing of interclub contest in the various gym classes.

The boys' division also had a month of considerable activity especially with the H-Y clubs. Plans for more extensive hobby activities in the division had been made and the social clubs were well organized.

Under social and education activities, each of the public speaking classes held regular sessions and attendances were well maintained.

The Camera Club held 12 sessions during the period, and the religious and foreign work committee's activities were featured with the young people's Sunday evening song services which started November 5. Attendances ran from 100 to 150.

The third annual subscription for the purchase of fruit to be distributed to patients of the Jubilee and St. Joseph's Hospitals, and to inmates of the Old Men's and Old Ladies' Homes during the Christmas week has reached \$71. From \$250 to \$300 is needed. Subscriptions may be left at the offices of the Colonist, Times or Empire Realty Company. Subscribers are asked to mark their donations to the Christmas Fruit Fund.

## Obituaries

McCULLOUGH—Funeral services for Miss Jessie Ann McCullough will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2.30 from the Thomson Funeral Home. Rev. E. M. Smiley of Victoria Truth Centre will conduct the service. Interment in Colwood Burial Park.

DURHAM—Funeral services for Mrs. Margaret Durham took place yesterday afternoon in Sands Mortuary. Rev. Hugh A. McLeod conducted the service. The following acted as pallbearers: G. Allan, G. Leckie, E. Leckie, H. Petticrew, J. Petticrew and E. Rossiter. Interment in Colwood Burial Park.

GRIFFEY—Funeral services for Miss Elizabeth Thomas Griffey took place yesterday afternoon at Sands Mortuary. Rev. Canon Chadwick conducted the service. The following acted as pallbearers: W. G. Edgerton, A. E. Pacey, B. Tomlinson and P. Spurgeon. Interment took place in Royal Oak Burial Park.

PILKINGTON—Funeral services were held in McCall Bros. Funeral Home yesterday afternoon for George William Pilkington. Rev. O. L. Jull conducted the services. The following acted as pallbearers: H. Bailey, O. Hollingsworth, T. Gould, F. Smedley, J. McFarland, and F. Spurling. Interment in the Royal Oak Burial Park.

HENRY—Funeral services were held in McCall Brothers Funeral Home yesterday afternoon for Samuel Henry, attended by a large representation of members of the fire and police departments. Rev. F. Comley conducted the services. The following acted as pallbearers: Deputy Chief J. Raymond, Lieutenant J. Reedy, Lieutenant P. N. Guy, T. Heslop, C. M. Bates and R. Winter. The remains were laid to rest in Colwood Burial Park.

BELLA COOLA (CP)—Mrs. Elizabeth Nygaard, 83, one of the first settlers in this British Columbia coast district town, died here yesterday. In 1885 Mrs. Nygaard left the Minnesota prairies and came to British Columbia with her husband and family of small children. For 10 years she shared the hardships of pioneer life to build a home in the dense forest land. When Jacob Nygaard died in 1905 she carried on the work alone.

McINTOSH—Funeral services will be held at McCall Bros. Funeral Home tomorrow afternoon at 2 for Alexander Dewar McIntosh of 2530 Spott Street, who died at the Royal Jubilee Hospital Saturday, aged 82 years. He was born in Nova Scotia and came to this city 45 years ago. He was employed with the British Columbia Electric Railway as track man and retired a few years ago. He is survived by one son in Portland and one daughter, Mrs. K. Burden of Washougal, Wash. Rev. Edwin Bracher will conduct the services. Cremation at Royal Oak.

POWELL—Funeral services for William Baden Powell of 136 Bushby Street, who died yesterday, aged 75 years, will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 from the S. J. Curry and Son Funeral Home. Rev. Hugh MacLeod will officiate and the remains will be laid to rest in the family plot at Colwood Burial Park. Mr. Powell was born in Crichlowell, Wales. He was a mining engineer and came to Canada in 1902 after some years on the west coast of Africa, and was well known in mining circles in the Crow's Nest Pass, Nanaimo and Alberta, being responsible for many improvements in mining conditions. During 1912 and 1913 he was in charge of mine rescue work in Lethbridge and Blairmore, Alberta, and from 1914 to 1922 had charge of mine rescue work in Cammore, Alberta, leaving there for a three-year visit to Great Britain. In 1926, owing to ill health, he retired and moved to this city. He leaves his widow, Mary, at the family residence, Bushby Street, and one son, Gwilym, of 970 Cowichan Street.

## RELIEF BONUSES TO BE GIVEN THURSDAY

Relief recipients in Victoria entitled to the special Christmas bonus given jointly by the city and the provincial government was advised by the city welfare officer today to apply for their grants at the office on Thursday.

While the department will distribute most of the bonuses that day, arrangements will be made to accommodate those unable to appear until Friday. Except in cases where, through physical disability, recipients are unable to leave their homes, no deliveries will be made.

In order to expedite the distribution, all able to appear at the office Thursday are requested to make their trips there on that day.

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(CP)—The military camp where the troops of Canada's first contingent established themselves today was tangled in what locally was termed "a scene of intense military confusion."

On all sides were soldiers, newly arrived from the Dominion and looking eagerly forward to the day when they can take their place—for the second time within a generation—with the forces of the Empire in the battle against Germany.

HARD WORK NEAR

Within a few days their battle dress and all-penetrating smile will be known for miles around this sleepy countryside. And in the same time, the camp will settle down to a daily routine of considerably less leisure than the troops have been enjoying since they left Canada scarcely more than a week ago.

But today everything was strange to these members of Canada's first contingent in the second Great War. They spent their time exploring modern barracks that are a far cry from the rough-and-ready huts that housed their fathers in the training days of the last war.

The up-to-date barracks weren't quite what these youngsters had expected, though they had heard and read a lot about improvements and innovations in the barrack life of the British Tommy, they saw steam-heated barracks, washbasins with hot and cold running water, mirrors, showers, bathtubs.

## SCHOOL CONCERTS

A program of music, playlets and recitations by students of the Hillside Seventh-day Adventist Free Day School, was enjoyed by a large audience at the annual Christmas concert held last week.

J. M. LeMarquand acted as master of ceremonies. The program opened with the school choir singing carols followed by "Opening Speech" by Charles Bronson and Grades 1, 2 and 3 in a "Christmas Message." "Bring a Torch" was sung by Tessie and Eleanor Stewart and Fannie Rebuka recited "A Christmas Reverie." Grades 1, 2 and 3 returned to sing "Bells of Christmas."

"The Spirit of Christmas," a playlet, was portrayed by the following characters: "The Spirit of Christmas," Arthur Blake; "Wisdom," Reginald Card; "Pilgrim," Jim Ratcliffe; "Conscience," Ethel Ratcliffe; "Pleasure," Bob Castner; "Wealth," Frank White; "Pride," Bill White; "Fame," Olive Hamilton; "Ambition," Phyllis Card; "Love," Lois Mooney; "Faith," Clarence White; "Justice," Clarence Pinder; "Mercy," Hilda Smith; "Love's Messengers," Junior Fleming, Joy Fleming and Iris Roberts.

In the second part Arthur Blake acted, "Jimmy Goes to Bed," and Iris Roberts recited "A Polite Girl." Joseph McDavitt played a violin solo, "Home Sweet Home."

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accompanied by Fred Edwards, Junior Fleming amused the audience in a skit, "Bobby's Presents." Grades 1 and 2 presented a playlet, "Arithmetic Lesson," with Alan Williams as—the teacher, Charles Brousson, Verona Langford, Jimmie Warwick and Verna Fleming, the pupils.

Reginald Card recited "That Woman Teacher," and the choir sang "Good King Wenceslas" with Rhoda Mowatt and Phyllis Card taking the solo parts. Edith Langford recited "In Closing."

Miss Helen Booth, teacher, was presented sculptured book-ends. In charge of the concert were Mrs. H. Wilson, Mrs. L. Pringle and H. G. Baylis.

## Asks Leniency to Go to Hospital

A plea for leniency on the grounds she was ill and required hospital treatment was put before Magistrate Hall by Mrs. Ruth Caird in the City Police Court this morning.

Mrs. Caird was convicted yesterday on a charge of using a forged cheque for \$15 as though it were genuine and was remanded until today for sentence. She said she was being attended by Dr. C. W. Duck and required hospital attention. The magistrate granted a further day's remand to give her an opportunity of substantiating her statement.

## BOARD TO HEAR B.C. LUMBERMEN

VANCOUVER (CP)—British Columbia lumbermen "have the right to appeal to the Dominion Transport Board" if railway companies do not meet their wishes in setting freight rates for lumber shipments across the Dominion, Frank MacPherson, a member of the board, said on his arrival here today.

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# CHRISTMAS

## Gift Guide

### Baby Wear

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VARIETY OF CHRISTMAS NOVELTIES for babies; kiddie's handkerchiefs, toys, Santa, Williamson's Baby Shop, 584 Port St., 1st Quad.

### Bakeries

CHRISTMAS IS JUST AROUND THE corner. Every tick of the clock brings it closer. Have you left your order at Seven-Street Bakery? Many have, so don't be delinquent, lest you may be too late. Golden Loaf Bakery foods are good.

WHY TAKE CHANCES ON YOUR Christmas baking? Let Sinclair Cake Shop, 741 View St., do it for you!

### Beauty Aids

GIVE COSMETICS! A FULL LINE of Ann Barry cosmetics. They make delightful gifts. Anna Taylor Salon, 1004 Broad.

FOR HER. A Christmas Gift of Beauty—Madell Beauty Salon, 780 Port St. (upstairs) E2334

### For Mother

A series of scientific scalp treatments or rejuvenating facials at Helmer's Beauty Salon, 714 View.

### Cake Decorations

LEAF Union Bldg., 612A View; English Christmas cake decorations, fruit, chocolate, toffees.

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### Christmas Cards

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CHRISTMAS GREETING CARDS—FROM your own snapshots. Distinctive mounts. The Film Shop, 1107 Douglas St.

PERSONAL CHRISTMAS CARDS—Printed or engraved, 24-hour service. T. E. WALKER, 501 Douglas St.

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FOR LADIES AND GENTS—ENGLISH and French makes. Gordon Ellis Ltd., 1107 Government.

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### LAUREL AND HARDY COMING TO ATLAS

Laurel and Hardy, Hollywood's most prolific and popular comedy team, return to the screen in "The Flying Deuces," their first feature-length comedy in more than a year and opening tomorrow at the Atlas Theatre.

This time the veteran comics have taken to the airways as a background for their misadventures, a thrilling and hilarious climax being provided in the final sequence, when the boys, as two Foreign Legionnaires sentenced to die for desertion, take flight in an endurance ship.

'CHARLES THE KING' HERE ON CHRISTMAS

Line-ups of theatre-goers throughout the day marked the opening of the box office yesterday of the Royal Victoria Theatre as tickets were swiftly sold for "Charles the King," the great historical spectacle, which will be presented by Maurice Colbourne and Barry Jones at that theatre on Monday and Tuesday, December 25 and 26.

"Charles the King," intact from its successful seven months' run at the Lyric and Cambridge Theatres, London, is the most elaborate production that has ever been brought to Canada and is played by the largest company that has ever crossed from England to these shores.

During its triumphant presentation in London, "Charles the King" was hailed by the entire British press for the brilliant writing of Maurice Colbourne, and the skill and imagination with which he has re-created those events which lead to the temporary overthrow of the monarchy by Cromwell, Britain's first and last dictator.

Bright New Comedy On Dominion Screen

"Blondie Brings Up Baby" opens today at the Dominion Theatre, to provide film fans with an astonishingly hectic portrait of family life as lived by that astonishingly hectic family—the Bumsteeds! Livelier, funnier and even more refreshingly entertaining than its formidable trio of previous mirth-provokers, the sensational new Columbia comedy based upon the Chic Young newspaper cartoon strips, merits the laughter and applause so richly accorded it by opening-day audiences.

PLAZA THEATRE

"High School Girl," now showing at the Plaza Theatre, is a story of the dangers which every modern high school student faces and the penalty which many pay for their lack of knowledge of life's ways.

Cecelia Parker, beautiful blonde leading woman, plays the title role, supported by Carlyle

Moore Jr., Noel Warwick, Helen MacKellar, Crane Wilbur and Mahlon Hamilton.

Doctor Kildare At the Capitol

"The Secret of Dr. Kildare," third of the "Dr. Kildare" series, with Lew Ayres and Lionel Barrymore heading the cast, is the attraction starting tomorrow at the Capitol Theatre.

The scientific detective romance, based on Max Brand's popular story, deals with a beautiful girl's strange secret terror, and the detective work of Ayres, as Dr. Jimmy Kildare, to trace it down to the plot of a fanatical nurse and a quack doctor. In the dramatic climax, under the guidance of Barrymore as Dr. Gillespie, he cures her blindness by practical mental suggestion.

CADET THEATRE

Merle Oberon hung up some kind of a record for destruction of costumes during the filming of Samuel Goldwyn's "The Cowboy and the Lady," in which she co-starred with Gary Cooper now showing at the Columbia Theatre.

The star worked through 14 different dresses; five were ruined in a sequence when she was tossed into a swimming pool by Gary.

OAK BAY THEATRE

Despite the fact that some directors and virtually all producers will disagree with him, Producer-Director William A. Wellman steadfastly maintains that "the most important thing to know in making a motion picture is when to quit work."

He expressed the opinion on location in the California desert during the filming of Paramount's "Beau Geste," which is at the Oak Bay Theatre, starring Gary Cooper, Ray Milland and Robert Preston.

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VACANCY Full-time Dentist Amended Notice

Applications will be received by Secretary Victoria School Board up to December 23, 1939, for position full-time dentist, Victoria City Schools, duties to commence as early as possible in the new term, salary at rate of \$2,500 per year.

In the Congo, the Belgian government maintains a school for elephants. The animals are trained, then sold or hired out.

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# OUR BOARDING HOUSE, with Major Hoople



# OUT OUR WAY—

By Williams

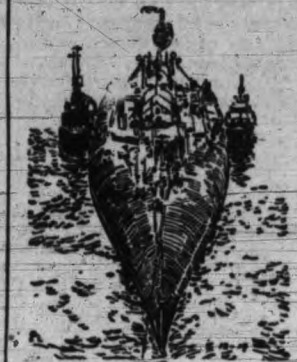


# Uncle Ray

## Scapa Flow in Midst of Orkney Islands

No doubt you have read about the German attacks at Scapa Flow. There were attacks in the World War, and there have been new attacks in the present conflict.

Scapa Flow is a body of salt water with islands all around it. It isn't a bay and it isn't a sea or lake.



German warship, upside down, being towed ashore after being raised at Scapa Flow.

On a journey from London to Scapa Flow, a person might travel northward to Glasgow, then on to the extreme northern end of Scotland. There is a point on the Scottish coast only 12 miles from the edge of Scapa Flow.

Scapa Flow is in the midst of the Orkney Islands. There are four main islands, and a dozen small islands, around it. Two channels, each about two miles wide, provide a way for heavy warships to enter and leave.

Scapa Flow has an area of about 100 square miles. It became an important naval base 25 years ago. Great Britain's "Grand Fleet" began to use it as headquarters after the start of the World War.

After Germany lost the war, it was agreed that the German fleet should be "interned" at Scapa Flow. German officers and sailors took the warships there and then carried out a plot. They scuttled the vessels, so water would flow in and the vessels would sink. Only one battleship and five light cruisers were saved.

Five years passed, and then efforts were made to raise the sunken warships. What a task it was! The vessels were lying at depths of from 20 to 80 feet. A floating dock was cut in two, and the parts were anchored at either side of the spot where a sunken destroyer lay about 20 feet below. Divers took down scores of cables, and put them under the vessel. Then it was brought up—by turning the cranks of winches, an operation which tightened the cables.

Other small vessels were raised in the same way, but the method was not good for battleships. A plan for these was worked out when the 23,000-ton Von Moltke was to be raised. It lay in 72 feet of water, upside down.

Divers went down to plug the holes in the sides and bottom of the Von Moltke. Later, and with great trouble, they made openings in certain places, and compressed air was forced into the vessel. The air at last gave enough "lift" to bring the battleship to the surface, still bottom-side up. It was towed ashore, to be broken up for scrap iron.

## HOROSCOPE

Wednesday, December 20  
An unimportant day in planetary direction. A strongly adverse aspect is active in the morning, threatening to labor unions. It is not a lucky date for ambitious women, but should be helpful for those engaged in philanthropic work. The evening is fortunate for constructive and progressive movements. Shopping is well directed. The stars encourage wise selection of gifts. Families should pay special attention to health. An epidemic affecting the lungs and digestive tract is prognosticated. Men who carry heavy public responsibilities will suffer from nervous disorders. Sudden deaths among persons of prominence will be numerous. Hospitals, physicians, surgeons and professional nurses will be much in demand.

Speculation will engage attention in the new year. A reckless spirit will be prevalent. In cities, rentals and other living costs will soar. Demand for European and Far Eastern art objects and handicrafts will be increased as realization of their value accompanies reports of the frightful waste and destruction of war. Loans will be discussed as Europe faces severe economic problems. Finland will be much in the headline and win wide admiration. Jupiter will exert a beneficent influence over Canada, which will prosper in industry, but find some difficulty regarding ready cash.

Persons whose birthdate it is have the augury of a year of extraordinary activity which should be successful. Children born on this day will be independent and observant, positive and resourceful. They may be self-willed and difficult to guide. Unusual talents may be expected to develop.

# THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson

## MUCH ADO ABOUT "NOTHING"

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## KWIK-KWIK

"I WOULD RATHER BE RIGHT THAN BE PRESIDENT"

## DOMESTIC CATS CAN DESTROY RATTLESNAKES WITHOUT BEING BITTEN.



WHO SAID IT?  
NATHAN HALE  
HENRY CLAY  
PATRICK HENRY  
ABRAHAM LINCOLN

ANSWER: Henry Clay.

# Dorothy Dix's Letter Box

DEAR MISS DIX—I am 20. For two years Bob and I have been lovers, but lately I have hated myself because I realize how wrong our relationship is. Finally I told him that I could not go on like this and asked him to marry me, but he refused. Said we must wait a year or so before we were married. I am willing to wait for a year, but what I don't understand is that every time I mention about our being married he immediately, tactfully but surely, changes the subject and never mentions it himself. Do you think that he will only be marrying me because he feels that it is the right thing to do, whether he still loves me or not? I would much rather that he tell me, as no one knows about us or even suspects. Although he tells everyone that we are engaged, he has never given me a ring, though he can afford one, as he has an excellent position and lots of spending money. What should I do?

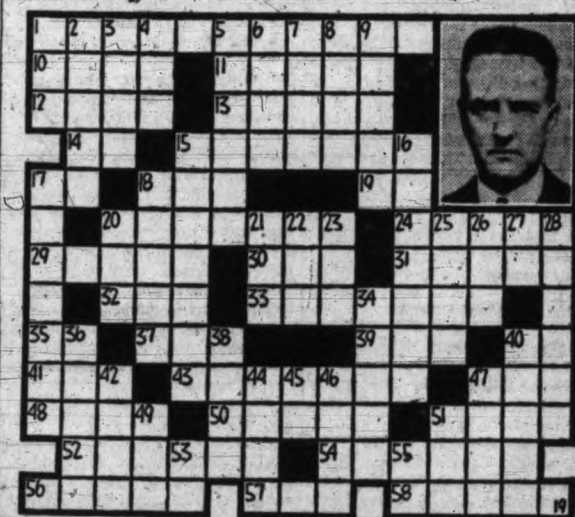
TROUBLED GIRL.

Answer: If you want to save a remnant of your self-respect you will break off your relationship with the man before he ditches you, as he evidently intends to do. If you were not so much blinded by love that you cannot see the situation clearly you would perceive that he has no intention whatever of marrying you and that he is merely stalling when he puts you off two or three years when you beg him to legitimize your position.

And you would also realize that when he refuses to even talk about marriage it is because nothing is further from his intention than ever leading you to the altar. No sense of duty, no impulse of chivalry, no compassion for you is ever going to take him that far. Your fate is the common fate of girls who love not wisely but too well. Nearly always the men to whom they have given not only their hearts but their honor tire of them and forsake them. They seldom marry them. When they marry they want a "nice" girl. A girl who has had enough character and principle and independence to hold herself worthy of a wedding ring.

DOROTHY DIX.

# Today's Crossword Puzzle



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|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>HORIZONTAL</b> | 41 Unit of work. | over both        | 16 Lampons.      |
| 1 Pictured is a   | 43 Gives.        |                  | 17 He is a U.S.  |
| modern            | 47 For each.     | <b>VERTICAL</b>  | Naval            |
| Antarctic         | 48 To reveal.    | 1 To tear        | 18 Copal.        |
| adventurer.       | 50 Lion trainer. | stitches.        | 20 Long inlet.   |
| 10 Unemployed.    | 51 To lacerate.  | 2 Notions.       | 21 Existed.      |
| 11 Fragrant       | 52 Rubber pencil | 3 Dressed.       | 22 Since.        |
| smell.            | end.             | 4 Pronoun.       | 23 Gibbon.       |
| 12 Fruit.         | 54 More          | 5 Type of grape  | 25 Coins.        |
| 13 Waxy           | tractable.       | cluster.         | 26 Chum.         |
| substance.        | 56 He uses a     | 6 Sketched.      | 27 And.          |
| 14 Advertise-     | to explore in    | 7 Northeast      | 28 He has kept   |
| ment.             | the icy          | wind.            | detailed—        |
| 15 Remunera-      | regions.         | 8 Primeval       | of his polar     |
| tions.            | 57 To stop up.   | giant.           | trips.           |
| 17 Bone.          | 58 He made       | 9 Inner soles.   | 34 Musical       |
| 18 Male sheep.    | pioneer flight.  | 15 Was inflamed. | drama.           |
| 19 South          |                  |                  | 36 Bay window.   |
| America.          |                  |                  | 38 To carry.     |
| 20 Renovation.    |                  |                  | 40 Category.     |
| 24 Drunkard.      |                  |                  | 42 Hot tent.     |
| 29 To gambol.     |                  |                  | 44 Matgrass.     |
| 30 Turkish        |                  |                  | 45 Common        |
| officer.          |                  |                  | verb.            |
| 31 Angry.         |                  |                  | 46 To abound.    |
| 32 To be sick.    |                  |                  | 47 Rind.         |
| 33 Sisterly.      |                  |                  | 48 Light brown.  |
| 35 Company.       |                  |                  | 51 Stream.       |
| 37 Mesh of lace.  |                  |                  | 53 Compass point |
| 39 Footlike part. |                  |                  | 55 Spain.        |
| 40 Opposed to     |                  |                  |                  |
| come.             |                  |                  |                  |

Answer to Previous Puzzle

WASHINGTON ALAR  
ONE IN AEROPANE  
ONE ELSE ABOUT  
CUT FLAT CREDIT  
OD ARE  
I SLAY  
USE A  
WAW CT  
BY PRO  
I PHARMACIST ME  
AMAIN ALATE CAR  
ORAL PRATE POIL  
DEELISKS MARBLE

# Boots and Her Buddies



# By Martin



# Wash Tubbs



# By Roy Crane



# Mr and Mrs.



# By Arthur Folwell and Ellison Hoover



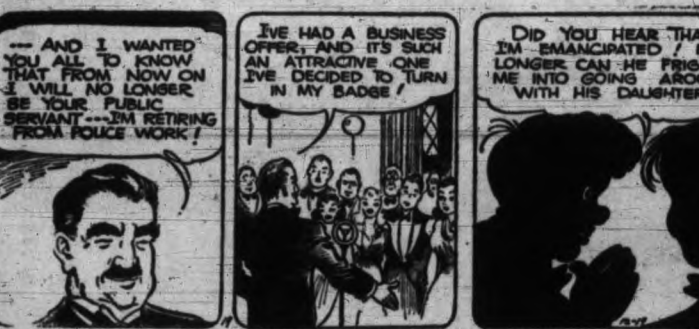
# Ailey Oop



# By V. T. Hamlin



# Freckles and His Friends



# By Merrill Blosser



# Bringing Up Father



# By George McManus





